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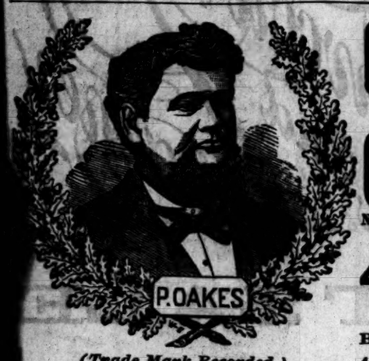
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GAS GOSSIP.

COUNCILMEN HOLD A CONFERENCE IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

What the House of Delegates is Likely to Do To-night—A Delegate's Explanation of Fox's Change of Front—Denial of Reported Sales of St. Louis Company Stock—Why Gas Bills Are Large—Gas vs. Electric Light.

The House of Delegates is to take action on the cheap gas proposition of the St. Louis Gaslight Company to-night. This fact has revived interest in the fate of the bill passed by the Council and sent to the House last Tuesday night. Well-informed people say that the House will not only receive the bill and give it its first reading to-night, but that it will consent to the request on the part of the Council for a joint caucus of both bodies, and will give the Councilmen a full and earnest hearing.

The members of the Council were all notified yesterday by the president of that body to meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the Council Chamber for conference. The Council is anxious to have the House give the cheap gas proposition a favorable hearing and the members will use all their influence with the delegates to this end. It is understood that the House is disposed to act sensibly in the matter and the plan is to have both Houses take a recess to-night and caucus on the bill. If a sufficient number of delegates will support the Council's action the bill can be read the second time to-morrow night and read the third time and passed Thursday night, thus getting the bill through this year and making it possible for the people to have cheap gas from the 1st of January forward. This plan is of course, a very pretty one, and it may be carried, out but it is doubtful. Nearly every German member of the House of Delegates is a rabid water-gas man, and will oppose the passage of any gas measure until the water-gas bill is passed by the Council. Again, there are a number of the Fox men who will insist on amending the bill so as to bring the price down from $1.50 to $1.25, and to strike out the tenth section.

One of the leading members of the House of Delegates is authority for the statement that the bill passed by the Council will go through the House just as it stands. He says that there are enough members of the House of Delegates on the side of the people to pass the bill.

"There will be a revelation in the House to-night" he said, "and those who think that Fox runs the body he presides over will be surprised."

"He ran it last Tuesday night, did he not?"

"No. That's just where everybody is mistaken. Fox knew that the House was going to adjourn before receiving the bill, and he was slick enough to jump over and pretend to lead the crowd. This is all the explanation there is to the actions of Fox last Tuesday afternoon, when to the surprise of everybody he turned around and denounced President Allen and Mr. Tredway. The Council called Fox in to consult with it on this gas bill, and Fox immediately came out on their side. The House didn't, in the first place, like the idea of Fox being called on as representing the entire House, and in the second place, didn't like his sudden conversion to the Council's theory. Then they proceeded to get things ready to warn him, expecting that he would step down from the chair and urge the House to confer with the Council. A majority of the Delegates agreed to adjourn for a week before receiving the bill. Fox got onto this and when he saw the delegates come together at the call of Mr. Hammerstein after having refused to obey his own call he saw that if he wanted to keep up his prestige as the owner and controller of the House he'd have to get in with the crowd. Therefore he paralyzed everybody by a complete change of front, and began to hallo with the majority. It is for his interest to make people believe that he leads the House, and the merits of gas measures have nothing to do with his position."

"Then Fox is not strong in the House?"

"No; he was before that underground wire trip to Chicago, but his peculiar conduct then opened the eyes of a good many who had followed him, and these will be found opposed to him right along."

"You believe the bill will pass?"

"I do. The delegates know very well that the St. Louis Company will not accept the bill if it is amended to $1.25, and they can't go back on a proposition for cheap gas right away."

This is given for what it is worth. It certainly is plausible.

The reports of large transfers of St. Louis Gas Company stock are pronounced by the gas company people to be untrue. "There have been no transfers at all," said the secretary of Mr. Newman this morning.

"Have there been any sales?"

"I don't know about that. No one about here knows whether there is any truth in the reports or not, but the general belief is that it is a scheme to bear the stock."

The report is denied on Third street. At the office of Mr. Campbell, which is headquarters for St. Louis Company stock, it was stated that there are not twenty-five shares of St. Louis stock on the market, and that any statement that there has been any sold of late is false. The firm of Matthews & Whittaker, which is said to have bought several thousand shares of the St. Louis Company stock in the past few days for the water gas people is accused of an attempt to "bear" the stock so as to purchase a great quantity of it at a low figure. "It is a well known fact" said a gentleman on Third street this morning, "that there is a syndicate in Philadelphia which has been organized for the purpose of securing a controlling interest in the St. Louis Gaslight Company. Matthews & Whittaker are their brokers, and they are instructed to buy enough shares to form a controlling interest, at $320 a share. That is to say, this syndicate is willing to pay $320 a share for 3,000 or 4,000 shares. You can easily see therefore why this firm should be anxious to rattle St. Louis company stockholders with reports of heavy purchases by them of gas stock."

Mr. Dwight Tredway was asked if the Water-Gas Company was buying large blocks of the St. Louis Company stock. "If such stock is being bought," said he, "I am absolutely ignorant of it. I know nothing of it. All I know is that I've got a gas bill before the Council that I want passed."

"Will it be passed to-night?"

"Now, you've got me. I do not know that it will. I hardly think it will be taken up to-night."

There are few who believe the Council will touch the water-gas bill to-night. All interest centers in the action of the House.

Why Gas Bills are Large.

"I am going to turn my attention to gas meters one of these days," said Col. Flad this morning, "and see if I can't save the city some money."

"Do you believe them unreliable?"

"No, but I think, a close watch on them would pay. I believe gas meters register truly and correctly, but the reason they are complained of is that the men who are sent around by the gas companies to find out how much gas has been consumed do not take the trouble to read them. Nearly everybody who uses gas believes that the meters are a fraud and a sham, but if they will take the trouble to read them themselves they can have their bills rectified if the amount charged exceeds the figures representing the exact amount of gas used." The Colonel here related an experience the superintendent of the Crystal Plate Glass Company had with the gas company. His eyes having grown weak under gas, he closed off all the burners and had student lamps put in his office. This was at the beginning of the month. At the end of the month he was presented with a gas bill a few dollars larger than the one he had paid the previous month. Then he had the gas put into the student lamps. At the end of the next month he was given no bill at all.

"What was the matter?"

"Why, the man who was sent to read the meter didn't do his work, that's all. Most of these fellows never go near a meter. They loaf around a saloon all day or attend to some other business and then credit the consumer with a little less or a little more—generally a little more—gas consumed than was used when they last inspected the meter. I don't say this for a fact, but I am told that the men Soc Newman hires to look at the meters are political strikers, and they don't care to do any more inspecting than is absolutely necessary. The way to be certain about the correctness of your gas bill is to keep a record of the meter. The meter is all right and can be trusted."

Gas vs. Electric Light.

Several weeks ago the City Council adopted a resolution calling upon the President of the Board of Public Improvements to submit an estimate of the cost of lighting the City Hall with electric lights. Col. Flad has been figuring on the matter for a number of days, and will report to the Council shortly that the Hall and the Departments can be lighted by electricity for a smaller sum than is at present paid for gas. He has not got an exact estimate yet, but he says that the difference between the two systems of lighting is entirely in favor of electricity.

"How would it be with gas at $1 50 ?" he was asked.

"Electric lights would then be dear."

POLITICAL PEDAGOGUES.

The State Teachers' Association of Illinois in Session at Springfield.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., December 29.—At the annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association in this city a year ago, a committee was appointed to consider the best way to nominate a candidate for the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction, whose duty it was to be to report at the annual session which convened to-day in this city. The committee are described, politically, as a Democrat, a Mugwump and a Republican. Its report, which will be submitted this afternoon, reads as follows:

Resolved, That we, the teachers of Illinois, in convention assembled, and without respect to our own political convictions, do hereby express our hearty approval of the efforts and labors of the Hon. Henry Raab, the present State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and declare our confidence in his ability and wisdom as an educational leader. His energy and zeal in the general cause of education, and particularly the work he has done and is doing for the country schools of the State, are worthy of the highest commendation and encouragement of the people. As practical suggestions, informed in regard to the educational needs of the State, we unhesitatingly declare that it is unjust to the children of the State, and unwise as a matter of policy, to put in nomination for the office of State Superintendent of public instruction, any persons but those who by long and actual experience, are thoroughly identified with the cause of education, who possess the entire respect and confidence of the teachers and all the educational instructors, who by their ability and enthusiasm, manifested in their school work in the past, give evidence that if elected they will expect an aggressive force in improving our schools, and thus gaining a fuller and more satisfactory return from the $8,000,000,000 annually spent in our States for school purposes. We pledge ourselves to do our utmost without regard to party affiliation to defeat any candidate for the office, who is wanting in the above qualifications.

[Signed] C. O. VAILE,
CHAS. J. HARKER,
E. A. GASTMAN,
Committee.

This report will probably result in an interesting discourse, as it is understood to be a decided move for the purpose of defeating the plans of a Democratic faction in the State, which has determined to defer the renomination of Prof. Raab in 1886. It is also designed to encourage an element in the Republican party, which appears disposed to favor the indorsement of Prof. Raab, by making him the joint nominee of the two parties.

Governor Oglesby opened the services to-day with a welcoming address, and the President responded and delivered his annual address. The State Association of County School Superintendents is also holding an annual session in this city to-day.

MATTERS IN COURT.

Cases Before the Federal and Circuit Judges —Proceedings in Probate.

Judge Treat heard the arguments and took under advisement to-day the case of the United States Marshal to use of Woodward against the City to recover on the bond given for tying up the Maggie P., steamer.

The estate of the late Christian Ulrich was closed in the Probate Court to-day. The executrix was discharged.

The final settlement in the matter of the guardianship of Rosalie Thomas was filed to-day in the Probate Court.

Mrs. Mary D. Patchin, administratrix of the estate of Lyman W. Patchin, has entered suit against D. C. Gray to recover $5,323.79 on a note.

The Grand Rapids Brush Company entered a suit this afternoon against the St. Louis Stationery and Book Company to recover $596.18 on an account.

In the matter of William H. Forman, Judge Horner to-day granted an order of sale.

In the matter of the assignment of J. H. Belker, the bond of the assignee was approved to-day in court.

Satisfaction of judgment was acknowledged in court to-day in the case of Ratigan against the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Letters of administration were granted to-day to James F. Carlin, administrator of the estate of Hugh Carlin. The estate is valued at $20,000. Wm. P. Smyth resigned a few days since.

THE GOVERNOR AWAY.

Applicants for the Vacant Prosecuting Attorneyship of Lincoln County.

By Telegraph to THE POST-DISPATCH.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., December 29.—Governor Marmaduke and Adjt.-Gen. Jamison went to St. Louis last night. This morning Hon. Nat C. Dryden and O. H. Avery of Troy, Mo., came over to see the governor. Both are applicants for the vacant Prosecuting Attorneyship of Lincoln County, vice Howard S. Parker, deceased.

The National Packing Company, capital $10,000, and the Star Safe Company, capital $40,000, both of St. Louis, filed articles of association to-day.

A Quiet Wedding.

Miss Elvil Johnson, youngest daughter of Charles P. Johnson, was married last evening at the family residence, by Rev. Dr. Brookes, to Mr. George Cook of New York. The wedding was a very quiet one, only the immediate relatives being present. The ceremony was performed at 5 o'clock, the young couple leaving on the evening train for New York City, where they will reside for the future. Among those present were ex-Governor and Mrs. Charles P. Johnson, Mrs. Elvira Johnson, grandmother of the bride, Mrs. Minerva Orr, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Webster, Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Bowles, Mr. and Mrs. Shipley, Miss Carrie Johnson, sister of the bride, Misses Estelle and Eliza Johnson, Misses Sadie and Bertie Brookes. Messrs. Warren, Johnson and Merryman.

Arrested.

The following parties were arrested to-day on warrants:

Wm. Overton, charged with stealing two kegs and a quantity of groceries from C. H. March, of 908 North Sixth street.

Moses Williams, charged with stealing a pair of shoes from John Lawless, of 824 Morgan street.

William Wuellner, charged with burglary; entering an Iron Mountain shop.

Edward O'Toole and Patrick Keefe, charged with stealing a horse and buggy from J. W. Bryan, of 1515 Hubert street.

Wm. F. Hargers, of 1618 South Grand avenue, charged with abandoning his wife Annie, now residing at 1427 North Twelfth street.

Vanderbilt's Will Probated.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The will of the late William H. Vanderbilt was admitted to probate to-day.

A DAY'S HORRORS.

Loss of Life by the Wrecking of Schooners—Other Casualties.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., December 29.—News was received last night of the loss of the schooner Cleopatra, Capt. George W. Pendleton, of this port. The dispatch stated that the Captain and the crew had been taken off their vessel near George's Bank and taken to Philadelphia by a steamship. Three men, named Hanson, Hodge and McPherson, were drowned. A man named Nelson was killed and five others were injured in the recent gale.

The Orphan Boy.

CHICAGO, December 29.—The consignors of the missing schooner Orphan Boy have given up all hope of her safety. A letter was received this morning by them from a lake captain who saw the ill-fated craft on December 4, about 4 p. m., abreast of the Beacon Islands. In the opinion of the firm she either foundered in the terrific gale of that night or she struck a reef in attempting to make the southern passage and went to pieces. There were eight men on board who, doubtless, went down with her. More weight is given to the former theory, as had she met the latter fate some pieces would have been washed ashore.

Three Men Killed.

MOBILE, ALA., December 29.—Early this morning the Gulf City Oil Mills' boiler exploded with terrific force, tearing down the boiler house and part of the seed sheds, and burying four colored laborers in the debris. Three of these, Joe Jackson, Willis Blade and Morris Warren, have been taken out dead. The other, Charles Chastang, is missing. Three other negroes were seriously scalded and two others slightly hurt. J. S. Stanton (white), the fireman of the mill, was badly hurt internally. The damage to the mills is about $2,000.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

LANCASTER, PA., December 29.—The boiler of a threshing-machine in a barn near New Providence exploded this morning, killing two young men named Christian Hildebrand and Edward Helm. The former was hurled thirty feet away. Frank Edwards was seriously scalded. The barn was set on fire and consumed with its contents. It contained twenty-three head of cattle, two mules, nine horses, three cows, ten hogs, 1,500 bushels of corn, 5,000 bushels of wheat and a large amount of hay.

Death on the Rail.

PHILADELPHIA, December 29.—A freight train on the Chester Creek branch of the Central division of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad left the track near Lenni this morning. The engineer was killed, one brakeman was badly injured, and another brakeman and the fireman were slightly injured. The cause of the accident was a broken rail.

LABOR TROUBLES.

Glassworkers' Unions Amalgamating—Iron Furnaces Resume Operations.

PITTSBURG, Pa., December 29.—Arrangements are being made in this city to amalgamate the flint glass workers, the window glass workers and the bottle blowers unions. A committee from each association are now holding a series of meetings, perfecting a basis of amalgamation. It is expected the change will be completed within the next three weeks. The joint committee will then submit their plan to conventions of the respective unions for their consideration.

Furnaces "Blowed In."

PITTSBURG, December 29.—A Sharon, Pa., special says: "The old Sharpsville furnace has just been "blowed in" after an idleness of two years. The Joliet Steel Company has contracted for all the iron the furnace will produce, which means a long and steady run. The Douglas furnace, of the same place, has also been put in blast.

The Miners' Strike.

PITTSBURG, December 29.—The Monongahela mining situation was quiet to-day. The strikers kept away from the miners and made no attempt to interfere with the non-union workmen.

THE HENDRICKS MONUMENT.

President Cleveland Desirous of Aiding in the Undertaking.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—Last evening Senator Voorhees received the following letter from the President:

MY DEAR SIR: I understand that a movement is on foot to erect a monument to the memory of the late Vice-President, and that it is to be a tribute to his worth and services on the part of his friends and associates.

This project is so fitting and appropriate that it seems to me that it must meet with general approval. My relations with Mr. Hendricks, both personal and official, were such that it was a source of much satisfaction to me to see this good work promptly begun, and at the proper time I hope I may be allowed to aid in the undertaking. Yours sincerely,

GROVER CLEVELAND.

In reply to the President's communication, Senator Voorhees wrote as follows:

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29, 1885.—MR. PRESIDENT: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your highly esteemed favor of yesterday. On behalf of the immediate personal friends of the late Vice President and of the general body of the people of Indiana, I feel authorized to tender their very grateful and sincere thanks for your kind and timely interest in a movement so honorable to his memory and so well earned by his public services and his private virtues. Permit me to assure you that no act on your part in the midst of your incessant labors for the public good, will be longer cherished or more highly prized by the people of his State than your sympathy in the efforts to erect a monument to his fame. With the highest respect and warmest personal regard, I am

Very faithfully yours,
D. W. H. VOORHEES.

A BIG BLAZE.

Nine Extensive Establishments at Chattanooga, Tenn., Destroyed by Fire.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.]

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., December 29.—Nine frame buildings on East Ninth street were destroyed by fire this morning about 3 a. m. The following were burned out: R. B. Peeples, John Sully, R. V. Brennan, J. R. McMillan, the Hall of the Sons and Daughters of Zion, and Smith & Peck. The total loss is $15,000; insurance, $6,000.

A BRUTAL MURDER.

James Kain, a Pittsburg Rough, Kills an Inoffensive Darky.

PITTSBURG, December 29.—This morning about daylight James Kain, a desperate character, shot and almost instantly killed John Wright, a colored man, because the latter accidentally ran against him on the street. For several days past Kain has been drinking hard. He has figured in numerous cutting and shooting affrays within the past few years, but heretofore his victims have recovered. He has been arrested.

The Month's Mean.

Although the present weather seems incredibly warm for December, it is likely that when the month closes Thursday, the mean temperature for the month will not be anything above average means for the Decembers of the past five years. Up to to-day the mean for the present month is 36.5 degrees against 33 degrees for last year and 27 degrees in 1883.

$250 a Bite.

John Regan entered suit against John Kelly to-day in Justice Ryan's Court for damages, which, he alleges, was done him by a bull-dog, the property of Kelly. The animal, Mr. Regan claims, played havoc with his head, to the extent of $250 worth, for which sum he sues.

AN ADVENTURER.

GEORGE LEE'S STORY OF THE HONDURAS REVOLUTION.

The Part Taken by Americans in the War Between Guatemala and Honduras—Ex-Senator Tabor's Interest in the Fight—The Deposition of Gen. Soto and Ascendency of Gen. Barrios—Soto's Millions.

Geo. S. Lee of Denver, Col., who obtained considerable notoriety as the leader of a party of adventuresome Americans who participated in the war between Gautemala and Honduras during the ascendency of the late President Barrios of Gautemala, arrived at the Laclede yesterday. Mr. Lee in a long rambling conversation with a POST-DISPATCH reporter this morning betrayed the prominent characteristics of a Col. Mulberry Sellers and a Gen. Walker, rolled into one—a sort of strong combination of filibuster and speculator. When asked for a brief sketch of his career in Honduras and questioned concerning his motives in engaging in the internecine strife of a South American republic, Mr. Lee said that the true story of the war between Barrios and Soto and the deposition of the latter as President of Honduras had never been given to the public; that his friends had frequently insisted upon his writing a brief history of the various events which had come to his knowledge while in that country, but that he had not yet been able to convince himself of the advisability of such a course. "Honduras," he continued, "is one of the finest and most productive countries upon the globe. The wealth of its mines is simply astounding, and with proper cultivation the soil will easily produce three crops a year. You must understand, however, that civil wars succeed each other about once every three months and the party in power has supreme and unfettered control of the lives and properties of the common people, so that there is actually no encouragement to a native to improve his holding. Americans stand a much better chance than the native, so far as Government interference is concerned, however, and just previous to the deposition of Gen. Soto from the Presidency

EX-SENATOR TABOR

of Denver and other citizens of the United States were financially interested in mining property in Honduras to a very considerable extent."

"You represented Tabor, did you not?"

"Well, yes; after a manner, I did. That is, I was an agent for the Campbell Reduction Tabor Company, which controlled the mines in which Tabor had a large share of the stock. The way in which the whole thing come about was this: During Gen. Soto's term as President of Honduras he had for his Prime Minister, a man of great intellectual capacity, by the name of Aguilar—Gen. Aguilar. Like all other South American autocrats—for the Presidents of those South American Republics are autocrats in as full a sense of the term as is the Shah of Persia—Gen. Soto, through the agency of Aguilar, carried various schemes which resulted in adding very considerably to his own pocket, and impoverished the country in proportion as he benefited by them. As President of the State, he virtually held the Congress and all the State officials in his power, and when necessary he never hesitated to use them to accomplish his ends. For instance, Soto, through the Hondurian Congress, granted concessions to Aguilar covering the minerals contained in a tract of land embracing some 400 square miles in the richest mining district in the State. Aguilar went to New York where he fell in with a Captain Burroughs, and between them they managed to interest the Campbell Reduction Company in a scheme to mine Aguilar's concession. Subsequently ex-Senator Tabor of Colorado purchased a half interest in the company, and a party of Americans went down to Honduras to begin operations. In the meantime Barrios had been elected President of Guatemala, and, as is generally the case, he having the most money and the largest army at his back, immediately set out to reduce the neighboring States. Honduras, being closest by, Barrios proceeded to make

WAR ON POOR SOTO,

and eventually accomplished his political ruin. That occurred about the time that I appeared upon the scene with my Americans. Of course there was nothing for us to do and we skipped out. In the complications which followed the Aguilar grant reverted to the Honduras Government."

"What became of Soto and Aguilar?"

"Both of them are at present residing in the city of New York. Gen. Soto is worth in the neighborhood of $10,000,000. By a strange coincidence his residence adjoins that of Mme. Barrios, the widow of Gen. Barrios. The ambition of Soto's life is to get back to Honduras, and in my opinion he and Aguilar are secretly engaged in preparing for a descent upon that unfortunate country."

Mr. Lee is here to raise capital to build a railroad into one of the richest mining districts in Colorado. He leaves for Denver this evening.

TRICHINOSIS.

A Supposed Case Developed at Wilmotte, a Chicago Suburb.

CHICAGO, December 29.—A case of supposed trichinosis has been developed in Wilmotte, a suburb on the Northwest Railroad. The persons attacked by the malady are Frank Westerfield and his wife. A few days ago they partook of some pork, which, it is said, was not sufficiently well cooked. Both soon commenced to suffer excruciating pain and were compelled to take their beds. Mr. Westerfield's attack was more severe and it was thought would end fatally, but a slight improvement is noticed by the attending physicians. Mrs. Westerfield is able to be about.

THE PHILADELPHIA CHILD MURDER.

Mrs. Gaskin Acquitted by the Coroner's Jury, but Remanded to Prison.

PHILADELPHIA, December 29.—In the case of the infant child of Mrs. Annie Gaskin, the coroner's jury returned a verdict of death from a wound in the throat inflicted by parties unknown. The evidence showed the wound had been inflicted by a sharp instrument, and not by a cat as the mother alleged. The latter was committed to prison to await the action of the District Attorney.

DRUMMERS IN COUNCIL.

Annual Meeting of the Northwestern Traveling Men's Association.

CHICAGO, December 29.—The annual meeting of the Northwestern Traveling Men's Association began here to-day. The attendance is about 500. In his address, President Miller stated that the year closing was the most prosperous the association had known. The membership was 3,539. The report of the treasurer showed $17,000 on hand.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

Items of Interest and Gossip from the Adjacent Towns.

Alton, Ill., December 28.—Fifty thousand dollars is to be asked of Congress to complete the Alton harbor.——The arrival of large numbers of glassblowers from the East increases the demand for residence houses in the East End.——The National Mills are shut down to remain closed during all of January. About forty men are thrown out of employment.——The entire stock of the Alton Skating Rink, except two shares, has passed into the hands of W. W. Arnold.——The Gould residence block at Sixth and Alby streets is nearly complete.——The Masonic installation this year will be public, with all the solemn ceremonies incident to such occasions.

Death of Hon. E. A. James.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., December 29.—A telegram from Hot Springs, Ark., says: "Hon. E. A. James died this morning in this place of sciatic rheumatism. He was a leading Tennessee politician, an elector in 1880, a leader of the anti-scaling movement in 1882, and an ex-State Senator.

Fleer Bound Over.

CHICAGO, December 29.—Adolph Fleer, the dishonest Austrian who pretended to be deaf and dumb, and obtained employment as a L. Singer & Co.'s clothing store was held to the Criminal Court in bail of $500, on the charge of larceny.

EXPLODED.

AN ALLEGED SENSATION AFFECTING DISTRICT ATTORNEY BLISS.

Curious Allegations Concerning His Conduct in the Prosecution of the Brazilian Forgers—The Retiring Brazilian Minister Entirely Exonerates Mr. Bliss, and Tells the True Story—Actual Expenses and the Cost.

A Washington special of to-day gives a statement concerning District Attorney Bliss' management of the cases against the White brothers for attempting to counterfeit Brazilian notes, and his financial transactions with the Brazilian Government, which reflects seriously on Mr. Bliss' official conduct, and which calls for explanation on the part of that gentleman. According to the dispatch, when the attempt of the counterfeiters was discovered, Mr. Bliss opened communication with Senor J. G. do Amaral Valente, the Brazilian Minister, with regard to the prosecution of the parties who were attempting the counterfeiting scheme. He had a conference with the Minister in Washington and urged upon him the propriety of having the criminals prosecuted and punished. He explained that there was a law under which the men could be punished; that there was no way provided in the United States Statutes for defraying the expenses of the prosecution, and there was danger that the men would escape from lack of money to conduct proceedings against them. The Brazilian Minister, so the story goes, accepted the statements of Mr. Bliss and gave him an order on the Brazilian Consul-General for the money required. The District Attorney received $500 to begin with and drew on the Consul-General two or three times afterwards, until the total amount reached some $1,500 or $1,800. Mr. Bliss then wrote to the Brazilian Minister intimating that a much larger sum would be needed for the prosecution of the Whites, and mentioned $10,000 as about the amount which would be ultimately required to place the Brazilian government out of danger from the designs of the counterfeiters. This sum staggered the Minister and created considerable talk about the legation. Mr. Bliss again went to Washington and called on Senor Valente, to convince him that the estimate was all right. It is probable that there was some dispute about the matter, for it is asserted that the District Attorney and the Minister went to the Department of Justice together where Mr. Bliss expected to prove that the expenses could not be borne by the Department, but would devolve on the Brazilian Government. Mr. Bliss appealed to Attorney-General Garland for confirmation of his statement, and the Attorney-General turned him over to a subordinate who was posted. This official, when the matter was stated to him, declared that Mr. Bliss was wrong, and that there was not only a provision in the United States Statutes to meet the emergency but that there was a fund of $30,000 for the especial purpose of defraying the expenses of prosecution in such cases. Mr. Bliss at this said that he would repay the money to the Brazilian Government, and offered his note to the Minister for the full amount. The official said that this was unnecessary, as Mr. Bliss could make out an itemized account and could send it to the department, which would make good the sum to the Minister. Mr. Bliss said that it would be impossible for him to do so on the spo,t as his accounts were in St. Louis, but as soon as he returned there he would do so. He again offered his note to Senor Valente, but the matter was allowed to stand there, pending the sending to Washington of Mr. Bliss's statement of expenditures. The matter has started considerable comment in Washington and thus was made public.

What the Brazilian Consul Says.

Alphonso De Figueiredo, the local Brazilian Consul, was seen at his office by a POST-DISPATCH reporter this morning. When asked if he knew anything concerning District Attorney Bliss' receipt of money from the Brazilian Minister at Washington, for the prosecution of the White counterfeiting case, Mr. Figueiredo said: "Yes, I should say that I do; I represent the Brazilian government in its dealing with Mr. Bliss, and so far as I know, his skirts are entirely clear of anything crooked in his transactions with me. On the day that Mr. Gast informed Mr. Bliss and myself of the counterfeit notes which he had in his possession, I communicated with Mr. Salvador Mendonca, the Brazilian Consul at New York, and received instructions from him to draw on him for any funds which I might need in the prosecution of the White brothers, and directing me to employ legal counsel, if necessary. I held a consultation with Mr. Bliss shortly afterwards, and we took such steps as we deemed advisable in the premises. Subsequent to the receipt of Mr. Mendonca's first telegram to me, I received a communication from him in which he said that he had been under the impression that the United States Government would have to stand all expenses in connection with the case, but that Chief of the New York Branch of the Government Secret Service Drummond had informed him that certain expenses would have to be paid by the Brazilian Government."

"What expenses did he refer to?"

"Well, detective work and things of that kind. For instance, we had four detectives employed for about ten days, watching Lucius White at the Hotel Moser, and afterwards we sent a detective to New Orleans with a decoy express package addressed to Lucius' brother at that place. Then Messrs. Drummond and Wheeler were sent to Texas and their expenses footed up nearly $200. I wish to say this much for. Mr. Bliss. There was a clear and distinct understanding between Mr. Bliss, myself and the New York Brazilian Consul, as to the expenditure of the money furnished him by the Brazilian Government. The Brazilian Minister at Washington has in his possessession Mr. Bliss' receipt for every cent of it, and Mr. Bliss himself informed me that when the case was concluded he would hand me an itemized account of the manner in which the fund had been spent, accompanied by the proper vouchers. Mr. Mendonca told me when I was last in New York that the Brazilian Government would be obliged to stand certain expenses and that we would be fortunate if it did not cost us at least $5,000. In the past the Brazilian Government has expended over $14,000 to run down and prosecute a single counterfeiter. The contingent fund of the Judiciary Department of this country could hardly be used to defray the expenses of detectives; I am satisfied that Mr. Bliss thought so, as did also Mr. Mendonca. What the trouble between Mr. Valente and Mr. Bliss is I cannot conceive. Valente is only the temporary Brazilian minister at Washington. Baron Itajuba, the regularly appointed minister, will assume his position shortly."

At Mr. Bliss Office.

At the District Attorney's office it was ascertained that Mr. Bliss was out of the city, visiting relatives at Columbia, Mo., and would not return until this evening. Assistant District Attorney Smith stated that the total amount received and expended by the office in the White case would not exceed $700. Mr. Bliss, he said, had vouchers for every cent spent, and would doubtless clear himself with the Attorney-General's office, if such a course was necessary. Jailer Seigmund's expenses for taking the prisoner, Lucius White, to Waco, Texas, were paid by the United States Government and not out of the fund furnished by the Brazilian authorities. He thought it was a question whether the judiciary contingent fund could be used for the payment of detective services, but didn't care to express any opinion upon the matter.

JAILER SEIGMUND'S BILL.

Speaking of the trip which he made to Texas with the prisoner, Lucius White, Jailer Siegmund said: "I took White to Waco, Texas, in obedience to a writ of habeas corpus ad testificandum issued by the United States Court of the Northern District of Texas. Accompanied by a Deputy United States Marshal I started with the prisoner September 11th, and was back again on the 19th of September. The expenses of the trip amounted to $520.20 and were made up of mileage for the party of three, amounting to $501.60, and the costs of the prisoner's keep, amounting $18.90. The distance between here and Waco, Texas, is 836 miles, making a total mileage there and back for three people of 5,016 miles, for which the Federal Government makes an allowance of 10 cents per mile,

The Expenses.

Aug. Gast & Co., who were printing the bills for White, stated that the only expense to which they went in the White case was to send a member of the firm to Waco as a witness! His expenses approximated $200, which sum was paid to them by the United States Government.

Mr. Bliss Vindicated.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—The retiring B.azilian Minister, Senor Valente, was shown this afternoon by the present Minister, Itayuba, the substance of the Globe-Democrat charge of official misconduct of District Attorney Bliss in the cases of the Brazilian counterfeiters. Senor Valente said that there was barely one word of truth in the story, and there was no scandal in the the case. He had no complaint to make against Mr. Bliss. On the contrary, he was under great obligations to him for his energy in working for the punishment and capture of the Brazilian counterfeiters. This is the whole story of the case as given by Senor Valente. Until last winter there was no law for the punishment of counterfeiters of foreign money. Congress passed such a law last winter, but omitted to provide any special appropriation for such prosecution. The Chief of the Secret Service thought he had no funds that he could properly expend for the securing of the counterfeiters. District Attorney Bliss notified Senor Valente that he did not think he had any funds for the incidental expenses of bringing the men from Texas and to provide for the summoning of witnesses. Senor Valente then directed that the Brazilian Consul General in New York to furnish all the needed funds. This was done in trifling amounts when Mr. Bliss came on to Washington at his invitation. Senor Valene went with him to the Attorney-General to see if the funds of the United States could not be used in the defraying of the expenses of the case. The Attorney-General said they could. This was about two months ago. Mr. Bliss then said to the minister that he would refund the small amount advanced when his general account was settled. Senor Valente said that this money had not yet been returned, but was a matter of detail which was of no consequence. It would come as a matter of course. District Attorney Bliss had volunteered to refund the money just as he (Valente) had volunteered to advance it. It was such a small sum that he had quite forgotten the amount. He said most emphatically that Bliss had never made any demand upon him for any sum, large or small. The conduct of the District Attorney had been perfectly honorable and proper.

Denied By Bliss.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

MARTINSBURG, MO., December 29.—To the Editor of the POST DISPATCH: The Globe-Democrat's statement in so far as reflecting upon the regularity and propriety of my course in the Brazillian matter is wholly false. Seven hundred and forty dollars only were advanced me voluntarily by the Brazillian government after the secret service had refused to pay the expenses of apprehending the offenders, which amount and more has been fully expended with proper vouchers to account. The matter is of the clearest explanation from my office files. W. H. BLISS, U. S. Atty.

EXTERMINATING THE APACHES.

Plan of Congressmen to Organize a Frontier Military Force.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—Senator Manderson and Congressmen Springer and Laird called upon the Secretary of War this morning to discuss with him the situation in Southern New Mexico in relation to the Apache troubles. They represented to him the defenseless condition of the people and made known their purpose to introduce a bill soon after the recess, providing for the raising of a body of troops for the special purpose of hunting, and, if necessary, exterminating, the murderous bands which have been making that region a desert. They propose that these troops shall consist exclusively of frontiersmen and be placed under the command of army officers; that they shall be temporarily enlisted for this special service, equipped, mounted and provided for in such a way as to be able to follow and fight the savages in their fastnesses. The Secretary entered heartily into their plans and promised to do everything in his power to forward the purposes they have in view.

Treasury Department Rulings.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—The Treasury Department has informed the Collector of Customs at Portland, Oregon, that shipments to Alaska of arms and ammunition other than breech-loading rifles and fixed ammunition therefor, mentioned in the President's prohibitory order, are to be treated as shipments of any merchandise. The Collector at San Francisco has been instructed that imported woolen knit jackets are dutiable as knit goods, and are not subject to the duty at 45c per pound and 40 per cent ad valorem.

Giving the Puritan a Trial.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—Engineer in Chief Loring of the navy will shortly make a proposition to the assignees of John Roach to give the Puritan a new dock trial. The vessel has had one dock trial, which was not in all respects satisfactory, and some changes in her machinery have since been made. According to the terms of the contract she should have a sea trial before her acceptance or rejection by the department, but there is no fund from which to fit her out in certain minor essentials for a sea voyage, hence the proposed new dock trial. The engineer in chief will suggest that she be moved from Chester, where she is now in the way of other work, and taken to League Island for the trial.

LIVERMORE'S LUCK.

A Bankrupt Wall Street Broker Lodged in Jail for Debt.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Edward Livermore, a Wall Street broker, was arrested yesterday by the Sheriff, under an execution against his person, and he is now in jail. Livermore failed in 1879. He was sued by James W. Freeman, who charged that he had re-hypothecated and converted to his own use Wabash and other stocks, which had been placed in his possession, to the value of about $16,000. The suit was tried and a judgment was secured against Livermore, and an execution was issued several months ago. He delivered himself to the Sheriff voluntarily. Mr. Livermore recently began proceedings for his discharge from further liabilities, and in those proceedings he stated his liabilities to be about $400,000.

Missouri River Convention.

KANSAS CITY, MO., December 29.—The River Improvement Convention met at 11 o'clock this morning with about 400 delegates present from Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Dakota and Montana. L. R. Bolter of Iowa called the Convention to order and Mayor Magee, of Sioux City, was made Chairman. Committees were appointed and the Convention adjourned till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Against the Jesuits.

MONTREAL, December 29.—Lemonde publishes a rumor that the papal decision in regard to the rights of Jesuits in Canada has arrived in Montreal, and that it is against the order.

Sidney News.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 29.—The steamer Mararoa arrived this morning from Australia with Sidney news to December 4.

Death of Mr. Burt Hyde.

Mr. Burt Hyde, brother of Postmaster William Hyde, died last night in Belleville at the residence of his father-in-law, E. W. West. Mr. Hyde had been suffering for nearly seven years from a stroke of paralysis and his death was not unexpected. He was much respected and his death will be generally regretted.

The Shivering South.

This morning the Carolinas and other portions of the South found their temperature very low, and in fact, except in a few places in the Northwest, the lowest in the country. At this station the mercury stood at 51 deg. this morning at 7 o'clock, and by noon had risen to 62 deg. There are no indications of any immediate change in the temperature in this locality.

PLAYING A BIG CARD.

THE TORY SCHEME FOR THE READJUSTMENT OF THE TARIFF.

The Liberals and the County Government Measure—Gladstone's Seventy-Sixth Birthday Anniversary—President Grevy Congratulated—Probable Formation of a New French Ministry—Foreign News.

Special Cablegram to the POST-DISPATCH.

LONDON, December 29.—The Cabinet have reached a decision on the tariff question. A bill is to be prepared for introduction into Parliament authorizing the imposition of duties on imports into Great Britain. The measure will be founded on the report of Lord Iddlesleigh's commission on trade, which finds; first, that the English trade depression is due primarily to foreign competion and disposes of previously accepted doctrine of exceptional causes, such as temporary overstocking. Second, that successful foreign competion results from a fiscal policy prohibitive of imports of English products. Third, that the rise of rents and necessaries is proportionately greater than that of wages, the standard of wages being kept low by effects on British industries of foreign competition. Fourth, that wide distress prevails in the manufacturing districts, resulting from the dearth of employment, and inadequate wages for those who are employed. The Government recognizes the fact that a system of purely protective duties will not be sanctioned by public opinion. A cautious rearrangement of the import tariff with a view of compelling producing countries to concede favorable treatment to British products is demanded by a powerful and growing commercial element, by the middle classes generally, and more largely than is generally supposed by the masses. There is little expectation that the measure can be proceeded with before Parliament has disposed of the Irish question, but its introduction in some form or other, is certain. The tariff readjustment is now fully recognized as

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in the hands of the ministry, and probably the best of all for an electoral campaign. If the bill should become a law, the Treasury or Privy Council will probably be entrusted with its execution, being allowed discretion as to the counsies to which it is to be applied, much on the lines of the contagious diseases (cattle) numerous. Meetings are being held and resolutions passed in all parts of the country, strengthening the hand of the Government in introducing legislation to secure better terms for the exportation of British goods to foreign countries. The Cabinet consists mainly of professional free traders. The ground taken is that the present fiscal system gives free-trade to producing countries, selling their goods to Great Britain, and denies free-trade to British products entering these countries. This is not free-trade, but a refusal of free-trade, fraught with mischief to England's most important material interests. The ministry believe they are working in the true interests of the freest trade at home and abroad in adopting it as their definite policy, and a readjustment of the fiscal system of the country to meet the requirements of the commercial situation.

County Government.

Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch.

LONDON, December 29.—The Press Association this morning is enabled to state that the Government intend to introduce a large measure on county government. This was announced by you in these dispatches three weeks ago. The same agency publishes this morning answers from sixty-three Liberal members on the home rule question. An analysis of these gives rather interesting results. Nine give unconditional support to home rule. These include Thorald, Rogers, Labouchere and Bradlaugh. Nine give support with the condition that it will not jeopardize the union May 15, which may best be described as watching and waiting for the cat to jump. From these will there come seceders. Twelve members will support local boards, but not more. These include Goschen, Richard and Chamberlain. Foster, of course, denounces home rule in any form. Eight members, strangely including several advanced Radicals, say that circumstances do not call for serious consideration of the question. Herbert Gladstone is afraid the matter can only be settled by a party warfare.

GLADSTONE'S BIRTHDAY.

To-day is Gladstone's 76th birthday, but the papers are not so full of congratulations as in provious years. The Times has a characteristically brutal leader saying: "It is idle to attempt to disguise the fact that the vigor of Mr. Gladstone's powers, which seem to bid defiance to old age, can no longer be regarded as a subject of unalloyed congratulation by the Liberal party."

The rumor of the retirement of John Bright is obviously absurd. I have just visited Birmingham, where the memory of the great difficulties and anxities of the election is too strong to permit such action at the present moment.

England.

MR. BRIGHT WON'T RESIGN.

LONDON, December 29.—The President of the Birmingham Liberal Association, denies the truth of the rumor that Mr. Bright intends to resign his seat in Parliament.

GLADSTONE'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

HAWARDEN, December 29.—To-day is the 76th anniversary of the birth of the Right Honorable William E. Gladstone. During the morning he was the recipient of 400 letters congratulating him on having attained his 76th year. Mr. Gladstone left his residence at daybreak and walked to the village church, where special services were held. Notwithstanding that sleet and snow were falling, the walk did not seem to fatigue Mr. Gladstone, as he appeared quite hearty when returning home after the services.

CHURCHILL IN IRELAND.

Lord Randolph Churchill, Secretary of State for India, is in Ireland. It is thought that his visit is for the purpose of obtaining information bearing on the Irish question to be used at a cabinet council to be held shortly.

SAMUEL BIRCH, L. L. D., DEAD.

Samuel Birch, L. L. D., the distinguished keeper of antiquities, is dead. He was 72 years of age.

DEATH OF HERR BUTTNER.

Advices from the west coast of Africa announce the death of Herr Buttner, the German explorer.

MUST NOT CONTROL THE POLICE.

The Telegraph to-day, commenting on the question of home rule for Ireland, says: "The Government will resist to its utmost ability any scheme giving an Irish Parliament control of the police force in Ireland.

MR. FOSTER SERIOUSLY ILL.

Right Hon. William E. Foster, Liberal member of Parliament for Bradford, who has been ill for some time, but recently reported recovering, has had a serious relapse.

MEASURES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer and Leader of the House of Commons; Sir Richard Cross, Home Secretary; Mr. Edward Stanhope, Vice-President of the Council and Mr. Arthur, Balfour, President of the Local Government Board, have been appointed a committee of the Cabinet to draft a measure for local government for the whole kingdom.

France.

PASTEUR'S AMERICAN PATIENTS.

PARIS, December 29.—M. Pasteur to-day inoculated Charles Kaufman, of Franklin, N. J., who was bitten by a supposed mad dog on November 31. The operation was successful. M. Pasteur severely censured Kaufman for his inattention to his injuries at the time he was bitten, but said he hoped to prevent any development of hydrophobia. M. Pastuer will inocculate Dr. Ludwig R. Sattler, of Orange, N. J., the veterinary surgeon, who was bitten December 21, once a day for eight consecutive days. The four children, Austin Fitzgerald, Patsy Ryan, Willie Lane and Patrick Reynolds, who have been under treatment by M. Pasteur, will leave for home on Sunday next. They are all well.

PRESIDENT GREVY CONGRATULATED.

President Grevy has received dispatches from all the European powers, and also one from the Prince of Wales, congratulating him on his re-election to the Presidency. M. Grevy will not send a message to the Chamber of Deputies. M. Grevy, and the Cabinet Minister urge M. Brisson, the Prime Minister, to remain in office, declaring to the latter that the Government suffered no Parliamentary defeat by the closeness of the recent vote on the Tonquin credit. M. Grevy will not accept the resignation of M. Brisson.

FORMING A NEW CABINET.

M. Grevey to-day held a consultation with a number of leading politicians regarding the situation. M. De Freycinet, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has declined to form a Cabinet in the event of M. Brisson insisting upon his resignation being accepted. It is likely M. Floquet, president of the Chamber of Deputies, or M. Goblet, Minister of Public Instruction, will be summoned to form a cabinet.

The Balkans.

PIROT PLUNDERED BY BULGARIANS.

LONDON, December 29.—Advices from Belgrade say that the Servian authorities charge that Bulgarian troops have plundered the residents of Pirot.

Ireland.

VALUE OF THIS YEAR'S CROPS.

DUBLIN, December 29.—The report of the Register shows that the value of the crops this year increased £1,694,223 as compared with 1884, and that it was £263,964 above the average for the preceding ten years.

COTTAGES FOR LABORERS.

CORK, December 29.—The Municipal Council has decided to loan, as an experiment, £6,500 for the purpose of erecting seventy-four cottages for laborers, to be rented at half a crown a week.

REFUSED A SUBSIDY.

LONDON, December 29.—The National League has refused to subsidize the Cork cattlemen engaged in boycotting the Cork Steam Packet Company. Mr. Parnell has also refused to support them.

Germany.

UNFAVORABLY RECEIVED.

LONDON, December 29.—The Chronicle this morning has a dispatch from Berlin, according to which it appears that the recent allocution of Pope Leo XIII. has not been received with favor at the German capital. The tone of the allocution, it is thought, shows that the pretensions of the Vatican have been encouraged by the deference shown to it in asking the Pope to mediate between Spain and Germany in the Carolines affair.

THE KING OF BAVARIA'S CREDITORS.

LONDON, December 29.—The Standard says: "The creditors of the King of Bavaria have united in a petition for a distraint of the goods and property of the royal household. Prince Leopold, uncle of the King and General-in-Chief of the army, has forbidden the bailiffs of the State to take any action to carry out the objects of the creditors."

The Dominion.

DEADLY EPIDEMIC.

MONTREAL, December 29.—Six deaths from diphtheria occurred last week. In St. Laurent five persons have died of the disease.

FATAL GAS LEAK.

KINGSTON, ONT., December 29.—Gas gained access to the cellers on Princess street last night, through an old drain, and many persons were seriously affected. A man named Sharp and his wife were unconscious all night. The man died this morning and the woman is in a critical condition. The others who were affected are out of danger.

COVERED WITH WRECKAGE.

HALIFAX, N. S., December 29.—Telegrams from Digby report that the storm of Saturday and Sunday was the most severe ever known there. The beach for miles is covered with wreckage. At Annapolis the storm raged from Saturday morning until Sunday morning. The snow drifts were from eight to nine feet high. No damage to shipping at that port is reported. The government breakwater at Cow Bay, C. B., was partially destroyed.

Madagascar.

THE RECENT BATTLE.

LONDON, December 29.—Further particulars of the fighting between the French and Hovas in Madagascar, printed in to-day's Daily News, shows that the Hova army returned to Antananarivo, not to Tamatave.

West Africa.

FRENCH AND GERMAN BOUNDARIES.

BERLIN, December 29.—Baron de Courcel, the French Ambassador, and Count Herbert Bismarck, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, have signed a protocol defining the boundary of the French and German territories in West Africa.

Spain.

MARRIAGE OF THE INFANTA POSTPONED.

MADRID, December 29.—The marriage of the Infanta Eulalia has been postponed until February 27, on account of the mourning for King Alfonso.

MISS THURSBY'S PLUCK.

Her Fortunate Change of Coach on Her Trip West.

It was a peculiar piece of good luck which saved for the people of St. Louis the pleasure of hearing Miss Emma Thursby, the brilliant and charming American cantatrice, to-morrow night at the Musical Union Concert. The hit was so singularly fortunate that those who believe in special Providences will find strong confirmation of their faith in her experience. The accident may, in fact, be taken as strengthening several doctrines and especially the belief which is expressed in the familiar words of John Wesley, "Cleanliness is indeed next to godliness," and deserves its reward. Miss Thursby, as the telegraph has already stated, was on the train which was wrecked on the New Haven Road, at Mt. Vernon, near New York. When Miss Thursby and her sister, who accompanied her, boarded the train at Boston, they were placed in a sleeping-coach which they did not like. "It was the worst car I ever saw," said she to a POST-DISPATCH representative, who called on her this morning at the Lindell. "It had common leather seats, was shabby, and was extremely dirty in appearance. We disliked it so much that the gentleman who accompanied us to the train went in search of a better. He came back after a short time and said that there was no better sleeper on the train, and we were arranging to stay when he again went out and returned with the conductor, who said that there was a Mann boudoir car at the rear of the train and that he could give us an apartment. We made the change at once, the gentleman riding with us to the next station to see that we were comfortably fixed.

WHEN THE TRAIN WAS WRECKED,

the only passenger coach which remained on the track was our boudoir car. One end of it was hanging over the precipice, where the engine, baggage-car and mail had been dashed and were burning. The other cohches were off the track and were hanging over the precipice as if by a thread. The embankment was 75 or 100 feet in height where the wreck occurred. The conductor told us that it was fortunate we had changed coaches."

The wreck was a terrible one, the engine running into a heavy platform, and tearing its way through and over the embankment with the mail car. The fireman was fatally injured, dying shortly afterwards, and the engineer and the five post office employes were badly mangled and injured. Miss Thursby expressed herself as very grateful for her escape. "I am something of a Mascotte," she said laughingly, "for this is the first accident of any kind I have been in during all my travels. All I ask is that my baggage arrive in time from the wreck, because my music is in it, and I am afraid I shall have no opportunity for rehearsal. I want to rehearse, particularly as I selected music with orchestral accompaniment, because the effect is so much finer with the orchestra, especially in a large hall."

When Miss Thursby gave directions with regard to the piano which she wanted sent to the hotel, she particularly desired that it be tuned for the French pitch, which European musicians are attempting to have adopted by all manufacturers of musical instruments. It is half a tone lower than the pitch adopted in America and in many other countries.

"Do you use the French pitch entirely?" asked the reporter.

"No, not entirely, but I like it so much better than the high pitch. I thought it very low, but after I became used to it I liked it. It is so much easier and pleasanter. I learned to sing in the common pitch, and can and do sing in it now when necessary, but I prefer the other."

MISS THURSBY IS DELIGHTED

with Europe and with the receptions she has been given during her visits there. "I have sung in nearly all of the countries of Europe except Russia, and my engagement at St. Petersburg was given up last year on my sudden return to America on account of the death of my mother. My receptions were most cordial everywhere. There one can remain in one place for some time and give a series of concerts to packed houses. I have given as many as eleven consecutive concerts at Stockholm, with no diminution of the audiences, and it is nearly everywhere the same in Spain, France and other countries."

"You have never sung in opera?"

"No; for some reason I have not. I have really no good reason, except that at first I had a strong prejudice against it, and now I think I never shall. In Europe, however, the pressure was very strong from the managers, and they tried every means in their power to induce me to, but I refused, and think I shall continue to refuse. I can sing the best selections from the operas in concert and the work is too hard. I would rather not work so hard. I like to take pleasure in singing, and if I had to travel around the country on tours it would become drudgery."

Miss Thursby chatted pleasantly about various topics, the success of German opera in New York, which, she says, receives superb presentation, and of her former visits to St. Louis. She is looking fresh and well, and is in voice to give those who attend the concert a rare vocal treat.

Earthquake Shocks at Hartford.

HARTFORD, CONN., December 29.—Several sharp shocks of earthquake were felt in this city this morning between 4:30 and 5:30 o'clock.

GRADES OR NO GRADES.

The Fight Which is Going on Among Flour Traders on 'Change.

An interesting fight has developed in the flour trade over the question of grades or no grades. At yesterday's directory meeting the proposition to do away with flour grades was defeated by the close vote of 5 to 4. The millers and others in the trade who are interested in the move to dispense with the grades, were not all discouraged with their defeat in the board, for they expected it. It was at the coming election they expected to get their work in by electing a man to the board who was of their way of thinking, and who would vote for the measure. Their candidate is E. P. Bronson of E. O. Stanard & Co., and up to to-day he was really the only candidate mentioned to represent the flour trade. The non graders were quietly confident of Bronson's election, and some of them exulted over what they thought was a foregone thing. One of them remarked, "We have Backer on our side, and, with Bronson in the board, we will have a sure thing on doing away with flour grades." The other side, however, made up their mind not to give it up so and commenced to look around for a candidate. They found him in the person of D. B. Kirk, who is a stalwart of the stalwarts on the question of retaining flour grades. A strong canvass for Kirk was at once started upon by his friends, and at the caucus this afternoon there will be a hard struggle between Bronson and Kirk. It is generally believed that Bronson will be successful.

THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Fair Association and Exposition Directors to Hold a Conference.

"We are waiting for the Exposition people," said Chas. Green, President of the Fair Association, this afternoon, speaking of the World's Fair project. "The Directors of the Fair Association on Saturday authorized me to appoint a committee of three with myself to confer with a committee from the Exposition Directors, and we are waiting for them to appoint their committee and call a meeting. The Fair Grounds committee consists of Messrs. Walsh, Scullin, Rumsey and myself."

"What indorsement do you expect from the Exposition people? They cannot assist you financially?"

"The Exposition Association cannot, but the Exposition stockholders can help us and the Association can assist the Fair Association in working it up. We must arrange a programme before we can ask any assistance from the people."

"What plan do you propose to follow out?"

"We will form a stock company at first with a capital of $2,000,000. Then we will get up a guarantee fund of $3,000,000."

"You are not looking for any assistance from the city or State?"

"No, the Constitution of the State forbids that. I think, though, that we can raise the money by private subscriptions from the merchants and the railroads."

"The railroad companies should subscribe at least $1,000,000 in cash and guarantee, should they not?"

"I think they should. They will make more money out of the Fair than anyone else."

"Will you ask any aid from Congress?"

"Yes, I think if we raise $2,000,000 cash and a guarantee of $3,000,000, Congress ought to assist us. We shall not ask anything of Congress, however, until the meeting of the International Fair Association at Indianapolis February 3. That association at its last meeting, held in this city indorsed St. Louis for the World's Fair of 1892. All the Western fair associations will be represented at this meeting, and I think we can get their unanimous indorsement. Then, with this, we can go before Congress and ask its aid."

Mr. Green will not go on to Washington again until February, when he expects the arrangements for the Fair will be under way.

ABOUT TOWN.

ANDREW SUTTER and Luke Hogan were held in $800 each to the Grand-Jury for burglary and larceny.

HENRY MOORE was arrested yesterday on a warrant issued June 12, charging him with wife abandonment.

THE REV. S. C. DICKEY of Auburn, Neb. will preach in the Mission Hall, 309 South Broadway, this evening. Seats free.

MARTIN O'BRIEN, who has lived in St. Louis for twenty years, was discovered sick and destitute at No. 7 North Levee and sent to the City Hospital.

DEPUTY CORONER HENNESSY held an inquest this morning on the body of Andrew Joseph Ryan, the 7-months'-old child of May Colmant, which died suddenly yesterday morning. The child was brought by the mother from the Female Hospital a few days previous. Its death was the result of hereditary disease.

CITY PERSONALS.

H. M. Hoxie, First Vice-President of the Missouri Pacific, left for Memphis last evening.

Col. S. M. Bernard, Louisville, Ky., Supreme Commander of the Knights of the Golden Rule, arrived to-day, and is the guest of Dr. E. D. Williamson, the Grand Commander of Missouri.

The Barnes and Wiederholt Sale.

Messrs. Lanham & Sutton sold to-day for Leslie A. Moffett, the receiver of the firm of Barnes & Wiederholt, the stock of furniture at the Broadway store. It was knocked down in bulk for $12,010 to Messrs. Burrell & Comstock. The wagons, horses, etc., brought $920.

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CLEAN THE STREETS.

AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW WITH THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

Councilman Devoy Locates the Blame for the Present Condition of the Streets—The Street Commissioner Has Funds but Will Not Spend Them—To-Day's Budget of News from the City Hall.

There was an informal conference of the Council Committee on Ways and Means and the City Comptroller this morning. It was interrupted by Councilman Edward Devoy, who informed all present that he had come to ascertain why the committee could not devote a small sum of money to the fund for cleaning the streets. "I want to know why it is," said Mr. Devoy, "that no more money is appropriated for the payment of street cleaners. Here are the streets in the most filthy condition imaginable. Market street and Clark avenue are perfect sloughs, and all over the city the mud is so deep that one cannot take forty steps without being covered with it. Here are over 400 men who are out of work, and who are marching through the streets with their brooms over their shoulders clamoring for a chance to earn some money to pay for bread."

"Where are they?" asked Councilman Temple.

"They were at the Court House yesterday," said Mr. Devoy, "and I understand are out again to-day. Gentlemen, this is a serious matter. These men want only a few days work each week, and they ought to have it. What in the name of common sense is the use of employing an overseer at a salary of $75 a month if he has nobody to oversee?"

"That isn't a fact," said Councilman Stone.

"That is the fact, though," replied Mr. Devoy, "Casey is overlooking three men to-day. Seventy-five dollars a month for looking after three men. Now where's the sense in that?"

"Well, what's the use of coming to us?" asked Mr. Stone; "why don't you go to the Street Commissioner? He has enough money for the purpose."

"But," said Mr. Devoy, "he says that he has not. That is to say, he says that the money he has on hand now he has to make cover street sweeping expenses until April."

"Mr. Comptroller," said Councilman Stone to Governor Campbell, "how much money has the Street Commissioner for the hire of street laborers?"

Comptroller Campbell disappeared and shortly returned with the information that the unexpended balance for street cleaning now in the Street Commissioner's hands amounted to $35,130.99.

"Now," said Mr. Stone to Devoy, "you see that the Street Commissioner has all the money he needs. If he runs out of funds the committee will scarcely hesitate about supplying him with more."

"Well, then," said Mr. Devoy, "why is it not used?"

"If the Street Commissioner were as anxious to hire men to clean the streets as he is not to hire them," said Mr. Temple, "there would be plenty of money for the purpose. There is no reason why he should not spend $3,000 in each of the districts of the city this week and give one class of people an opportunity to earn their bread and another clean streets to walk on."

"But that would amount to $10,000 a week," said Mr. Stone, "and would necessitate an appropriation of $520,000 a year for street cleaning. That's absurd."

"Yes, but there is no necessity for keeping the streets swept the year round," said Mr. Devoy. "There is an emergency at present and it ought to be met. We've got filthy streets and people out of work, and I'd like to know why the money isn't spent."

The debate ran on further, but enough has been quoted to show that the cause of the neglect to employ a street-cleaning force lies with Street Commissioner Turner. Whenever the filthy condition of the streets is brought up, the Street Commissioner declares that the appropriation given him is so small that he is unable to have the mud carted off. The gentlemen who determine upon the size of the appropriation declare that they are willing to make it large enough, and it is stated that the Street Commissioner can get money for this purpose if he desires it. The Councilmen who were questioned about the matter this morning said that the public ought to be given to understand that the blame does not rest on the Municipal Assembly but on the Street Commissioner, who for some reason does not want to give employment to the old men who sweep the streets for a living. Street Commissioner Turner was called on to explain the matter, but he was not at his office.

Saloon Taxes.

The St. Louis society of saloon-keepers met yesterday and resolve to ask the Mayor and the Municipal Assembly for a reduction of 25 per cent. on the present price of dramshop licenses, on the condition that such licenses are paid for within thirty days after becoming due. This, it is claimed, would give the city at once the full amount of the entire license and the use of the money within thirty days from the date the licenses become due. At present such payments are distributed through a longer period and entail extra expense on the city. Councilmen Temple and Stone of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means of the Assembly said this morning they were opposed to granting any rebate on saloon licenses. Mr. Devoy said he would vote against any such proposition. Mr. Temple believed the license ought to be raised to $1,000. It is not likely that the saloon-keepers will get much of a hearing in the Council.

A New Sidewalk Stone.

E. T. Hoffman of 216 North Eighth street, recently submitted to the Board of Public Improvements a sample of St. Paul, Ind., limestone, and asked approval of it as fit material for sidewalks in the district between Chouteau and Franklin avenues and Twelfth street and the river. At the meeting of the board this morning the Street Commissioner reported that the sample did not afford sufficient evidence of what the stone is; that is, whether it is suitable for sidewalk flagging; moreover, he added, there should be presented to the board testimonials as to the durability of the stone from people who have used it, with statements as to how it had been laid, how long it had been in use and to what traffic it had been subjected. The report was approved and Mr. Hoffman notified.

Municipal Cock-Fighters.

There is to be a big cocking-main at Kansas City to-morrow and Thursday. It is not generally known that the St. Louis House of Delegates has a number of expert chicken-fanciers in its midst, but it is a fact, nevertheless. Bill Gartenbach has a reputation as a chicken-fighter that is second to that of few men in this part of the country. Tom Kaye of the Twenty-seventh Ward is an old chicken fancier, and would go a thousand miles any time to see a good fight. These gentlemen, with Mr. Brockmeier and several other delegates, are booked to leave for Kansas City to-night with a number of well-known birds, and their seats will be vacant when the gas question comes up for action. As between cheap gas and cock-fighting there can only be one choice as far as these delegates are concerned.

Notes.

William Schuerman's dairy, on Kosciusko street, between Russell avenue and Lesperance street, has been reported to the Board of Public Improvements as being without a catch-basin. The Board will notify him to put one in.

The Council Committee on Public Improvements held a meeting this afternoon.

It is conceded that a Republican will be appointed to the Justiceship made vacant by the death of Mr. Buenemann.

Habeas Corpus Case.

Upon the application of Jefferson W. Storts, his attorney, a writ of habeas corpus, returnable at 10 a. m. to-morrow, was issued by Judge Van Wagoner this afternoon on behalf of Arthur Allen, who was arrested yesterday on a telegram from Montgomery City, Mo., charging him with fraudulently disposing of a pair of mules. The Sheriff is expected to be present with his warrant for the prisoner by time the writ is returned.

BELLEVILLE.

Nail-Feeders Meet at the City Park—Personal and Other Items of Interest.

There was a large gathering of nail-plate feeders at the City Park last evening. Judge W. H. Snyder made a very effective address, urging men to united action for their mutual protection, and paying them an eloquent tribute of praise for their commendable conduct since the inauguration of the strike. He was followed by Hon. Nick Perrin, Spenser Kase and Patrick Canton, all of whom made stirring addresses.

Thomas Farmer, who was arrested and fined $25 and costs for brandishing a revolver in Fleischbein's saloon the night before last, was not one of the striking nailers as was incorrectly stated, but what is known as a "black sheep."

Hon. Jehu Baker will lecture at the Liederkranz Hall this evening. The lecture is given under the auspices of the Liederkranz Society. Mr. Baker, who for upward of seven years was United States Minister at Venezuela, will speak in regard to that country.

The managers of the new street railroad company have ordered Messrs. Heinzelman Bros. to repair and paint the cars of the old company, and the work of constructing the tracks will soon begin.

The trouble between the union miners and John Kloes, proprietor of a large mine in West Belleville, has been amicably adjusted.

The new Jail is now entirely finished and ready for occupancy. The heating apparatus was put in to-day.

Gerstaecker Lodge, No. 138, A. O. U. W., held a meeting last night and elected the following officers: Henry Damm, First Master Workman; Charles Seekatz, Master Workman; Conrad Fritz, Foreman; Geo. Gassler, Overseer; Theodore Loehr, Recording Secretary; Henry Heinemann, financial secretary; John F. Pannier, treasurer; George Peters, guide; Ben Gross, inside watch; Peter German, outside watch; Christoph Schaal, trustee; Dr. Joseph Schmitt, physician.

THE LARGEST EVER MADE.

Sid Francis' Mammoth Trade On Change This Afternoon.

The largest single trade ever made on 'Change was consummated in just two seconds on this afternoon call. Trading had been opened in the July option of wheat and it was offered at 95½ cents. "I'll take half a million at ninety-five and a half!" shouted Sid Francis.

"Sold!" Exclaimed Charley Albers.

"Take half a million more," howled Sid.

"Make it a million," said Albers. And Caller Joe Carr, with the air of a millionnaire, remarked, "A million July wheat at ninety-five and a half," and the whole crowd rose up and shouted. It is too bad to have to state that this immense trade did not stand in its entirety. Francis came up after the call to Albers and asked him to scratch it. After some solicitation, Albers consented to scratch 900,000 bushels, but held Francis to 100,000 bushels. It was the general opinion of the trade that Albers would have made a large profit on this sale. Last year July wheat sold below ninety cents.

CARONDELET JOTTINGS.

Dr. H. C. Starkloff is lying very ill at his residence 7620 South Broadway.

Another blast furnace at the Vulcan is nearly completed and will be running by the first of the year.

The Masonic and Pythian Hall trustees will hold a special meeting this evening at Secretary Poupeney's office, 7329 South Broadway.

The Carondelet Relief Association has contracted with J. Krause & Bro., to furnish coal for the poor at 8 cents a bushel. The firm will donate free of charge 100 bushels to be distributed as the association sees fit.

Mr. Charles Forster, Assistant Superintendent of the Public Schools, and Miss Florence P. Rannells, a school teacher of the Carondelet public school, will be united in wedlock this evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of Miss Rannells' parents, 5315 Michigan avenue. The Rev. Dr. Joseph H. Schields of the Cote Brilliante Church will perform the ceremony.

Richard Davenport, with wife and child and John Day, a half-brother, while sailing down the river last Saturday night in a flat-bottom boat, were caught in an ice gorge about three miles from Carondelet. They escaped by use of a skiff. They lost their clothes, furniture and eatables and are now in a destitute condition, living in a broken down shanty on Iron street and the levee.

Carondelet Branch, No. 42, Order of Iron Hall, at its meeting last night elected the following officers: Jas. A. Earl, D. S. J.; John J. Keller, P. C. J.; Anthony Schillinger, C. J.; A. R. Rivet, V. J.; H. Hall, Q.; C. C. O'Donnell, Cashier; Jas. Bayer, Prelate; Richard Weiner, Herald; John Geo. Lay, Watchman; M. Gutzgesell, Vidette; Dr. Bribach, Medical Examiner; Trustees, John P. Keller; B. Bubach and Geo. F. Eckhard. The officers-elect will be installed by Deputy Supreme Justice Jas. A. Earl at their next meeting, Monday, January 11, 1886.

The Bridal Bulletin.

Name.	Age.	Residence.
Rev. Harvey Hatcher	53	Atlanta, Ga.
Mrs. Mary E. Myers	38	St. Louis County
Richard V. Cleage	24	Chattagooga, Tenn.
Lulu Gibson	20	Vernon, Iowa.
Peter Smith		2927 Park av.
Eliza Malroy		1527 Washington av.
Robert R. Bruce	35	4400 McPherson av.
Jane Wooland	38	1427 Carr st.

BOSTON'S LATEST SENSATION.

A Pretty Young Wife, Disgraced, Blows Her Brains Out.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

BOSTON, December 29.—At 11:30 o'clock this morning Mrs. Julia Mackin, wife of Provision Inspector Mackin of the Quincy Market, fatally shot herself with her husband's pistol in her bedroom. She was 25 years old, very pretty, and only married last June, and came of a good family. Her husband, last week, was horrified to have an increase in the family, the child being of a different type from himself or wife. The unfortunate woman pleaded on her knees that she had been the victim of an outrage last winter, while living in the country, and was ashamed to tell of her disgrace. Her husband petitioned for a divorce this morning, hence her rash act. The bullet penetrated the brain and she cannot live. The husband is nearly crazed with grief, but of course it is now too late. The affair causes a big sensation.

The Husband Present.

BOSTON, December 29.—The wife of Wm. Mackin, Inspector of Provisions at the Quincy Market, shot herself in her husband's office in the market building at noon to-day, and will probably die. No one was present at the time of the tragedy except Mr. Mackin. It is believed that domestic troubles caused the act, however.

Disadvantages of Changing Her Shape.

From the Rochester Herald.

We notice by a late fashion paper that bustles are to be worn lower down, says an exchange. The ladies have a right to change their styles as often as they wish, but is it always policy? Just think how confused the young man must be getting regarding the construction of the female form. At one time a youth sees his girl with her waist directly under her arms. He defends her in this attitude. He does not know that there is any particular advantage in having too much body. He is sure he could walk better if more of the material had been devoted to legs. Next he sees the idol of his heart with her girth further down, and he is somewhat perplexed that she should experience such a sudden length of waist. He consoles himself by thinking that women are queer creatures anyway, and perhaps they have the power to pay themselves out or shorten up like a telescope. He has always, however, been accustomed to see the bustle at the old stand, and when this staple article begins to ramble about and becomes unsettled he will become completely dazed. Just think how bewildering it will be, when she is away, for him to call her vision up in his mind and have his imagination paint her with her waist, and other peculiarities of construction, shifting about and working up and down on her person. Girls can safely use their own fancy in the formation of bonnets and the color of ribbons, but let them beware how they mislead young men with their shifting waists and unsettled bustles. It will destroy the confidence of any young fellow to see his girl changing her shape every week or so. She will appear like a stranger to him every time she hits a new make-up.

RIVER AND WEATHER.

Local Weather Report.

ST. LOUIS, MO., December 29, 1885.

Local Time.	Ther.	Wind. Dir.	Wind. Vel.	Weather.
1:59 a. m.	49.6	S.E.	9	Lt. rain.
5:59 a. m.	51.0	S.E.	7	Lt. rain.
9:59 a. m.	55.6	SE.	10	Cloudy.
1:59 p. m.	63.3	S.	7	Fair.

Maximum temperature, 63.8.
Minimum temperature, 48.5.
Stage of river, 7.4 ft.; rise, 0.1 ft.

G. A. WEBER,
Sergeant, Sig. Corps, U. S. A.

MONEY.

NEW YORK, December 29, 11 a. m.—The stock market opened active and irregular. In the first minutes after the opening there were slight declines generally. The market then became strong throughout with Lackawanna leading. Towards 11 o'clock there was a slight reaction and the market became steady.

NEW YORK, December 29, 3 p. m.—The stock market declined small fractions after noon, but the decline was checked and before 2 o'clock the market had advanced ¼ to ⅝ per cent. The market was active and strong from 2:15 until the close, with the greatest advance in St. Paul and Louisville and Nashville. The market closed firm and generally near the best figures of the day.

4 p. m.—Consols closed at 99 5-16 for money and 99 7-16 for the accounts.

LONDON, December 29, 12:30 p. m.—Consols opened at 99 5-16 for money and 99 7-16 for the account.

BOSTON, December 29.—Mexican 7s 48d; common 10⅛; scrip 87.

New York Stock Quotations.

Corrected daily by Matthews & Whittaker, bankers and brokers, No. 121 N. Third street, St. Louis, Mo.

STOCKS.	Opening	Highest	Lowest	Closing
Canada Southern	41¼	42	41¼	42
Canadian Pacific	62¼	62¾	62¼	62¾
Central New Jersey	44	44⅜	43⅞	44⅜
Central Pacific	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¾
Chic. St. P. M. & O.	37¼	38¼	37¼	38¼
do pfd	*104	......	......	104
Chic., R. I. & Pac.	127¾	......	......	127¾
Chic., Bur. & Quincy	137	137¼	137	137¼
Chic., Mil. & St. P.	93⅞	95¼	93⅞	95¼
Chic. & N. W. Com	108⅜	110⅛	108¼	110⅛
Del., Lack & W.	126½	127⅞	126½	127½
New York Central	104	105½	103⅞	105⅜
North'n Pacific Com	28¼	28⅜	28¼	28⅜
do Pfd	60⅜	61⅜	60⅜	61½
Oregon & Transcon'l	33	33¾	33	33¾
Or. Naval and Trans Co.	109	107⅞	107	107
Ohio & Miss. Com	23⅞	25½	23⅞	25
Pacific Mail	66¼	67	66¼	66⅞
Phil. & Reading	21¾	24	21¾	23¾
Ohio Southern	17	18¼	17	18¼
Del. & Hudson	95⅛	97⅛	95⅞	97
Den. & Rio Grande	20½	21	20½	21
Erie Com	24⅛	26⅛	24½	26
Erie pfd	50¾	52½	50¾	52½
Erie 2d Mortgage Bonds	89⅛	89⅞	88⅞	89⅞
East Tenn. Con	6¼	6¾	6⅛	6¼
Illinois Central	137¾	138¾	137¾	138¾
Ind., B. & Western	24½	26¼	24½	25⅞
Lake Shore	87¾	88⅞	87⅞	88⅞
Louisville & Nashville	44½	46	44½	44⅝
Michigan Central	75	76	75	75
Missouri Pacific	108⅛	110¼	108⅜	110¼
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	31½¼	32	31½	32¼
St. L. & San F. com	21½	....	....	21½
St. P. & Duluth Com	36¾	....	....	36¾
St. P. & Duluth pfd	98⅜	99½	98⅜	99½
St. L. & San F., 2d, pfd	45½	46	45½	46
St. P., M. & Manitoba	108¼	109	108½	109
Texas & Pacific	12⅝	12⅞	12½	12⅞
Texas & Pacific incomes	37½	....	....	37½
Union Pacific	54¼	55⅜	54¾	55⅜
Wabash, St. L. & P.	11¼	13	11¼	12⅞
Wabash, St. L. & P., pfd	20½	22⅞	20½	22⅞
Western U. T. C.	72½	73⅞	72½	73¾
West Shore new bonds	100¾	101	100¾	100⅞

*Ex dividend 1¾ per cent.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING PRICES 3 P. M.

Reported daily by S. W. COBB & CO., 317 and 319 Chamber of Commerce, St. Louis.

CHICAGO.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing To-day.
WHEAT—				
Jan	85	85½	84	84 a
Feb	84½@⅝	86	84½@⅝	84½@⅝ b
May	91⅞@¼	91⅞	90½	90½ b
CORN—				
Dec	36⅛	36⅜	36⅛	36¼
Jan	36⅜	36½@⅝	36⅜	36⅜ a
Feb	36⅜	36¾	36½	36½ b
May	39⅜	39⅞	39⅜	39⅜ a
OATS—				
Jan	27¼	27½	27½	27½
Feb	27½	27¾	27½	27½
May	31⅛@⅝	31¼@⅜	31¼@⅜	31¼@⅜
PORK—				
Jan	$9 90	$9 90	$9 75	$9 77½
Feb	10 00@½	10 00	9 85	9 87½
May	10 35	10 37½	10 20 b	10 20 b
LARD—				
Jan	5.97½	6.00	5.95	5.95b
Feb	6.05@7½	6.05@07½	6.@6.02½	6.@6.02½
March	6⅛@.15	6.15	6.10	6.10a
SHORT RIBS—				
Jan	4.85	4.85	4.82½	4.82½
Feb	4.92½	4.92½	4.90	4.90
March	5.00	5.00	4.95@97½	4.97½

NEW YORK—Wheat—December ...; January 90⅝ b.; February 92⅜ a.; March 94 b.; April 95¾ b.; May 97½ a.; June 98½; July 98⅜. Corn—December 48⅜ b.; January 48½ a.; February 48¼ b.; March 48 b.; May 48 b. Oats—December 34¼ a.; January 34½ a.; February 35½ a.; March 36¼; May 36⅞.

Baltimore—Wheat—December 86¼@86½c; January 86⅜@86⅞c; February 89@89½c. Corn—December 45⅝@46¼c; January 45¼@46c; February 45⅝@46c.

TOLEDO, December, 29.—Wheat—Jan. 91⅝; Feb. 93¼; May 97⅝. Corn—Dec. 38; Jan. 36¾; May 40⅝.

Detroit—Wheat: February 91⅝a.; May 97 a.

St. Louis Afternoon Board.

Wheat weak, with heavy selling, closing ½c below 1 o'clock. A sale of 1,000,000 July made at 95½c. Corn easier and lower to sell. Oats neglected.

WHEAT—January 92½c a.; February 94¾@94½c; March 96½ a.; May, $1.00⅞ to $1.00⅝; June $1.00⅞ b., $1.01½ a.; July 95½c to 95c.

CORN—December 32c b., January 33½c b., 33½c a.; February 34½c; March ——; May 36½c.

Stocks of Grain in St. Louis Elevators.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
To-day	2,492,589	1,461,567	182,514	18,305	105,472
Yes'd'y	2,493,561	1,490,563	191,041	15,559	110,534
	No. 2 Red.	No. 3 Mixed.	No. 1	No. 2	
To-day	2,127,568	728,602	141,782	15,710	......
Yes'd'y	2,127,013	734,837	147,117	13,760	......

Visible Supply of Grain.

	Dec. 26, '85.	Dec. 19 '85.	Dec. 27, 84.
Wheat	58,431,813	58,761,953	43,882,190
Corn	8,320,695	7,338,256	4,124,812
Oats	2,880,968	2,800,664	2,319,974
Rye	815,075	767,826	624,343
Barley	2,327,152	2,298,484	1,935,587

Minneapolis and St. Paul stocks not included last year.

Movements of Wheat and Corn To-day.

	Receipts. Wheat.	Receipts. Corn.	Shipments. Wheat.	Shipments. Corn.
St. Louis	12,881	72,115	......	278,085
Chicago	53,016	320,041	13,868	965,535
Milwaukee	33,144	1,920	......	500
Baltimore	3,508	126,763	......	......
Toledo	14,758	7,367	2,150	23,049
New York	2,750	168,800	......	49,718
Detroit	34,581	......	......	......
Kansas City	2,000	4,950	8,500	10,500
Duluth	31,000	......	......	......
Minneapolis	111,440	......	4,480	......

CHICAGO INSPECTIONS—For three days—129 cars spring wheat, 14 cars winter wheat, 411 cars corn, 54 cars oats, 13 cars rye, 53 cars barley.

Grain Inspections.

INTO ELEVATORS—Wheat—1 car No. 2 red winter; 5 cars No. 3 do; 22 cars No. 4; 2 cars rejected; 1 car no grade; 1 car No. 3 Mediterranean; 9 cars No. 2 spring; 3 cars No. 3 do; total. 24 cars. Corn—89 cars No. 2 mixed; 15 cars rejected; 34 cars new; 1 car No. 2 white mixed; 1 car rejected; 1 car new; total, 141 cars. Oats—5 cars No. 2; 2 cars rejected; 1 car No. 2 white; total, 8 cars. Rye—7 cars No. 2; total in, 180 cars.

OUT OF ELEVATORS—Wheat—2 cars No. 3 red winter; 1 car rejected; 2 cars No. 3 Mediterranean; total, 5 cars. Corn—87,300 bu; No. 2 mixed; 3 cars rejected; 21,000 bu. No. 2. white mixed; total, 3 cars and 103,-300 bu. Rye 1 car No. 2; total, out, 9 cars and 108,-300 bu.

Commercial Notes.

Those of the wheat trade who looked for an increase in the visible supply of that cereal were very much disappointed when the Chicago compilation showed 67,000 bu. decrease. However, they consoled themselves momentarily with the idea that the New York report would increase the amount, but greatly to their disgust it decreased it 330,000 bu. This large falling off in the New York report was due to lessened rail shipments. The visible of corn increased largely, Chicago making it 1,819,000 bu. and New York 982,000 bu more than December 19.—There was a marked increase in the farmers' deliveries of home-grown wheat in the United Kingdom last week. The total was estimated at 1,225,000 bu., against 925,-000 bu the preceding week and 1,200,000 bu same week last year. The average price paid last week was equal to 90½c per bushel, which was 4c lower than the week before and 34c lower than a year ago. —In its review of the British grain trade of the past week, the Mark Lane Express holds out no encouragement to American wheat holders. It says the growing crops are healthy, that trade in foreign wheat is confined to the harvest retail transactions, that stocks are heavy and American flour cheaper. Only 2 cargoes sold (one of California at a price equivalent to $1.00⅜ per bushel) out of 8 arrived. Forward trade stagnant. To-day's exports of corn from New Orleans were 82,500 bushels to Copenhagen. A new company has been formed to run the large warehouse on Main and Gratiot streets. H. B. Slaughter is President and Redmond Cleary Treasurer of the concern, which will be known as the Gratiot Street Warehouse Company. They have already started in, and have received a large amount of grain so far.—It is noteworthy that shipments of cotton from all India to Europe since the end of September are 90,000 bales less than last year, and 124,000 bales less than in 1883. It will require large shipments in the remaining nine months of the season to raise the European receipts of India cotton to the anticipated amount.

St. Louis Markets.

FORENOON SESSION, CLOSING 1 P. M.

Wheat—The market still partakes of a holiday nature and probably will continue to do so until after New Year's, unless something startlingly new turns up to start speculation in one channel or another. There was enough bull influence on hand this morning to put prices up, but the advance was only ½c, was short-lived at that, and there was no snap to the market at all. The decrease in the visible supply was the chief bull factor, though it failed to stir up much enthusiasm, despite the late prophecies of the longs that the first decrease would start an upward move and draw in disciples to their side. English cables were quiet and steady, with a fair demand, which was quite an improvement over the dull and depressed cables lately received. The Mark Lane Express' review, however, was very blue and showed a heavy increase in farmer's deliveries in the Kingdom. The weather in this section was very mild and gave symptoms of clearing off, and no signs of a change to severe cold were given. Receipts at ten points were 300,000 bushels, and shipments less than 25,000 bushels. The early strength shown by the market gave way to weakness ere long, other speculative centers failed to hold and the tone became heavy. All the markets seemed to be afflicted with general debility, no one had any confidence and the least pressure to sell depressed values. Prices gradually let down until ⅜c below the top and closed ⅜c lower than yesterday. January sold at 93½, February at 95½ to 95⅝ and March at 97¼, but at close February was offered at 94⅞ and the other two not worth over 92⅞ and 96⅞ respectively. May sold at $1.01⅜@1.00⅞, opening at $1.01½ and closing at $1.00⅞. The usual monotony prevailed in cash grades. There was seemingly no demand, and the market was entirely nominal. Scant offerings of good milling wheat a light trade in samples, No. 2 red 92½c bid for D. & E.; 92¾c for St. L.; No. 3 red 90c in C., and bid for St. L. & D.; No. 4, 80c asked for A. 75c bid.

Rejected—60 in V. and bid for U; 59c asked for regular No. 2 Mediterranean, 93¾ asked this side; 92½c bid.

Corn was steady, but quiet, with little offered or wanted. The heavy increase in the visible supply checked the strength so marked yesterday, and receipts were good and cables quiet, but there was no pressure to sell, and other markets were well sustained, which held prices steady here. December sold at 33⅜, January at 33½ to 33⅜, February at 34⅜ and May at 36⅜ to 36¾; March offered at 35½, bid 35¼@⅜; April at 36, bid 35⅞. Cash grades were higher, qualities below No. 2 improving most and meeting a good order demand, while No. 2 mixed was quiet, as there was no export buying. No. 2 mixed 33¼ regular; No. 2 white-mixed 34½ bid this side; rejected do 31½ bid regular; new do 31½ bid St. L.; new mixed 30¼@30⅜ this and 30¼@30¾ E. side; rejected 29¾ this and 29½@29¼ E. side; no grade 25 bid this and 25½ E. side.

Oats firmer for futures, and with more buyers than sellers. the strength displayed by other markets improving the tone here. May sold ⅛c better at 31½ and December was salable at 27⅝, but held at 28. A sharp demand advanced cash No. 2 ⅜c, and rejected was also better, but the former grade did not hold in price and became slow. No. 2 27½@28 regular, closing at 27¾ in St. L.; rejected 26½ in V., 26⅝ bid for U., 27 for St. L.

Rye was quiet and lower; No. 2 selling at 57½ this side. Rejected held at 56, but only 54 was bid.

Barley—Hardly any business transacted as there was not much of a demand. Quotations were as follows: Rejected 35@40; No. 3 45@50; prime 55@60; choice 65@70; extra do 75; fancy 80@85; extra do 90; Canada, 92 for No. 3, 97@98 for extra do; $1 04@1 05 for No. 2; $1 11@1 12 for No. 1.

Flour—Quiet and unchanged; nothing doing in the way of trade outside of supplying the small wants of local traders. xx $2 95@3 10; xxx $3 10@3 20; family 3 25@3 40; choice $3 70@3 80; fancy $4 20@4 30; extra do, including favorite brands, $4 55@4 70; patent $5 00@5 40. These prices are for lots on arrival at depot and levee; order lots higher.

Buckwheat Flour—Jobbing. Western $4@4 50; Eastern $5@5 25 for choice.

Cornmeal—Dull at $1 75@1 80 on city orders delivered; pearl meal and grits nominal at $2 50@2 75.

Rye Flour—Quiet at $3 75@3 80.

Bran firm and in demand. Sacked sold at 62c track this side to arrive and 61c at mill; bulk 53c at country points, and quotable at 53c f. o. b. E. track, 55c this side.

Hay was quiet and trade rather small, but no change to speak of in price. Markets limits were: This side—Prairie $7@8 50 for prime to fancy; mixed $9@10; timothy $10 50@14 25 for prime to fancy. East track; stock sells about 50c@$1 per ton below the above rates.

Provisions were in their chronic state of dullness, but showed no change in price. The only business to speak of was in filling orders, a fair number of which were received. There was seemingly no demand for up-country stuff, and 15-day dry salt c'ribs were offered at 4.80 c. and f. here without a buyer. Standard mess pork sold at $10 and hardside at $9 75. There was a speculative inquiry for forward delivery and 500 brls March sold at $10 25, January worth $10 and February $10 10. Prime steam lard was wanted for shipment at 5.80. Loose dry salt c'ribs sold at 4.85 and f. o. b. on cash orders in a small way at 3.45 for shoulders, 4.80, for longs, 4.90 for c'ribs and 5.05 for shorts. Packed bacon longs sold at 5⅛@5.55, c'ribs at 5.60, and shorts at 5.85; shoulders worth 4½. Country lard 5@5½c in irregular packages. City hams, 8½@11c. Breakfast bacon, 7½@9c. Beef—Family. $10@13 ₩ brl., according to brand; on orders higher, $6@7 ₩ ½-brl; dried, 10@11c; selected 12½c ₩ lb; smoked tongues, $5@5 50 ₩ doz. Tallow—Prime in oil barrels, 4¾c; choice do, 5c; No. 2, 4¼@4½c; in irregular packages ⅛c less; choice cake, 5c; tallow grease, 4c. Grease—Brown and yellow, 3@4¼c; white, 4½@4¾c. Salt—Domestic, $1 05@1 10 ₩ brl., as in size of lot; ground alum, $1 10 per sack—small way higher.

Whiskey—Steady at $1 10 for highwines; Cincinnati quiet and steady at $1 10; Chicago $1 16; Peoria firm at $1 10.

Lead—Nothing doing as there was no demand. Chemical lard for January delivery held stiffly at $4 35 this and $4 37½ East side, but refined a drug on the market and could easily be bought at $4 30.

Cotton.

Speculative markets again opened lower but reacted slightly before the close and regained several points. The tone was generally steady and trading larger. Spots were still quiet, with prices a 1-16d lower at Liverpool and dull. Advices from Manchester reported cloths unchanged with a fair business doing, but yarns dull and tending down. The decline in spots yesterday in the home market appears to have stimulated trading and to-day sales footed up over 1,300 bales.

LOCAL SPOT QUOTATIONS—Low ordinary 6¾; ordinary 7 7-16; good ordinary 7 15-16; low middling 8 3-16; middling 8⅝; good middling 9⅛; middling fair 9⅝; stained and tinged ½ to ⅜ under quotations for white.

RECEIPTS, SHIPMENTS AND STOCKS.—Gross receipts to-day 4,543 bales, against 3,438 last year: since September, 1885, 350,854 bales, against 201,160 same time last year; shipments to-day 2,946 bales, against 3,333 bales last year; since September 1, 1885, 249,-955 bales, against 163,653 bales same time last year; stocks in compresses and warehouses to-day 102,508 bales, against 47,997 bales.

NET RECEIPTS, EXPORTS AND STOCKS.—Net receipts at United States ports for 4 days 110,527 bales, against 141,893 last week and 93,550 the same time last year; exports 15,239 bales, against 106,835 same time last year; stock 1,153,223 bales against 1,018,-244 last year; net receipts since September 3,497,732.

CLOSING PRICES—3 P. M.

LIVERPOOL—Uplands, 4 15-16d; Orleans, 5⅛d. Sales, 7,000 bales. Futures closed steady. December and January, 4 57-64d; January and February, 4 57-64d; February and March, 4 59-64d; March and April, 4 62-63d; April and May, 5 1-64d; May and June, 5 4-64d; June and July, 5 8-64d; July and August 5 11-64.

NEW YORK—Futures closed steady. December, ——; January, 9.16c; February, 9.25c. March, 9.37c; April, 9.49c; May, 9.59c; June, 9.70c; July, 9.79c; August, 9.88c; September, 9.66c. October 9.45c. Sales 111.700 bales.

NEW ORLEANS—Futures at 12:10 p. m. steady. December, ——; January, 8.72c; February, ——; March, 8.99c; April, 9.14c; May, 9.28c; June, 9.42c; July, 9.53; August, 9.58c; September, 9.22c. Sales, —— bales.

Country Produce.

APPLES—Very slow. We quote: Geniting at $1@1 40; winesap, $1 25@1 65; Ben Davis, Roman beauty, and like fancy varieties at $1 50@1 80; Eastern (car lots) assorted varieties, $1 50@1 75. Poorly packed, small, frosted or otherwise inferior fruit 25@35c ₩ bbl less.

POTATOES—Small offerings; demand good and market firm. Choice rose quotable at 57½@60, and Burbank at 65@67½c.

ONIONS—Steady and quiet; red $2 20 per bbl. and 90c per bu.; yellow $2 10 per bbl. and 70c. per bu.

BUTTER—Receipts 2,932 lbs. Scarcely enough business doing to make a market. Supply of the grades more than ample to meet all requirements, even roll, which heretofore in small supply, is now in liberal offering, and as the demand continues a very light local consumptive one, the market is dull and values nominally unchanged. We quote: Creamery—Fair to good 25@28c; choice 30c; fancy selections 31@32c, and some spelal makes more. Dairy—Choice and fancy 23@25; fair to good 16@20c; common 8@10; grease 4@5. Country store packed at 4@7c for common, 8@11c for choice. Roll—Northern 14@16c; near-by ranges at 10c for fair to 13c for choice.

CHEESE—Wisconsin full cream 9¾@10½c; part skims 6@8c; skims 3@5c; Ohio cream 8@9c; young America 10@11c.

EGGS—Receipts 51 pkgs. Offerings small, and demand fair at 17@17½c for good stock. Limed and old stock less.

HIDES—Quiet and easy. We quote: Green salted—No. 1 9½c; No. 2 at 8½c; bulls or stags 6c; green (uncured) 8c; do (do) damaged 6½c; glue stock 3c. Dry flint—No. 1 18c, No. 2 15c; bulls or stags 10½c; dry salted 12c; damaged 10c; glue 6c. Hides under 10 lbs classed as damaged.

SHEEP PELTS—Steady. We quote: Green 60@85c; dry 40@75c; lamb skins 30@50c; shearling 10@40c.

DEER SKINS—Steady; prime at 21c.

FEATHERS—Easier. We quote: Prime live geese at 44c in large, and 45c in small sks.; unripe, quilly, etc., 30@40c; mixed 10@30c; tare 3 and 10 per cent.

GAME—Receipts smaller, but almost everything came to hand in bad order. Demand very small and little selling of anything. Sales ranged (selected stock only): Grouse, $4@4 25; Quail 90c@$1; Ducks—Mixed $1, Teal $1 50, Mallard, 1 50; wild turkeys 7c ₩ lb; rabbits 65@75c; jack rabbits $1@1.25; squirrel 25c; deer carcasses 4@4½c ₩ lb; black tail deer 8c; antelope 7@8c; venison saddles 7@9c ₩ lb; bear saddles 12½c; woodcock $5; Minnesota pheasant $3; Missouri and Illinois do $3.50; snipe $1@1.25; wild pigeons 50c; large plover $1; opossum 10@15c each.

DRESSED POULTRY—Hardly any offerings in the market. Turkeys in good demand, and choice sold at 12½@13c ₩ lb, while rough and thin were quotable at 11@12c. Large and nicely handled chickens in good request, and sold at $1.75@2.25 ₩ dozen, but small and scrubby stock dull at $1@1.50. Fat and well dressed geese and ducks fair sale at $4@6 and $2.50@$3.50 respectively, but small and rough stock absolutely not wanted.

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GRASS SEED—Clover rather dull at $4.90@5.20; timothy, $1.50@1.65 and steady; red-top, 35@44c; German millet, 40@60c. Sale, 1 car common German millet at 40c.

FLAXSEED—Receipts, none; weak; the best bid $1.08.

HEMPSEED—Slow; pure test quoted at 95@97c.

CASTOR BEANS—Quiet but steady at $1.65@1.67½.

FURS—In good demand and firm. We quote:

	No. 1 large.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.
Raccoon	65@75	$ 45@ 55	$ 30@ 40	$ 15@ 20
Mink	35@40	25@ 30	15@ 20	8@ 10
Otter	......	4 50@5 00	3 00@3 50	1 00@1 50
Beaver	......	3 50@4 00	2 00@2 50	1 00@1 50
Skunk	......	65@ 75	40@ 50	25@ 30
Fox	......	70@ 80	45@ 55	30@ 35
Bear	......	7 00@8 00	4 00@5 00	1 50@2 00
Wolf, tim	......	2 00@2 50	1 00@1 50	60@ 75
Wolf, pr.	......	70@ 80	50@ 60	30@ 40
Badger	......	50@ 60	30@ 40	20@ 25

Wild Cat	10@40	Opossum	5@12
House Cat	10	Muskrat, fall	4@87
Civet Cat	10	Muskrat, winter	6@10

☞ 10 to 20 ₩ cent is usually deducted on raccoon, beaver, bear, wolf and badger when "cased," and on all others when "open."

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses and mules.
Receipts	250	2,570	668	34
Shipments	84	139	......	93

CATTLE—The offerings were again very light and there can scarcely be said to have been any market this morning. Some little inquiry was had for butchers' cattle and the few desirable grades that were on sale were closed out quickly at as strong prices as have been current for several days. Outside of this local demand there was nothing doing, and the general trade was in a nominal condition and it is impossible to say just how values are for other grades. There were some strong prices paid yesterday as compared with a week ago, but this morning there was none of these qualities offered. We, however, quote values very steady at the following:

RULING QUOTATIONS—Good to choice native shippers $4 60@5 25; fair to medium $4 25@4 50; common $3 65@4 00; butchers' steers, fair to choice, $3 35@4 00; common $2 50@3 25; cows and heifers, fair to choice, $2 40@3 40; common $2 00@2 25; feeding steers $3 40@3 90; stockers $2 25@3 25; native bulls $1 85@2 30; good to choice wintered veal calves $6 00@10 00 per head; milch cows with calves $20 00@55.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES.
National Yards.

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
40	Native steers	1492	$5 25
40	Native steers	1283	4 65
20	Native steers	1109	4 30
15	Native cows	1060	3 00
104	Arkansas butchers	797	3 05
84	Texas cows	748	2 25
20	Native butchers	1012	4 05
13	Native cows	1031	3 05
9	Natives cows	1031	3 45

UNION STOCK YARDS.
Daily reports of sales of cattle.

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
10	Southwest mixed	770	$1 75
19	Dairy cows	1040	3 00
10	Common dairy cows	840	2 50

24 retailed from $2 to $4 50.

HOGS—The market was again lightly supplied, but the average quality was very much improved and sales were made rapidly and quickly at prices which were entirely satisfactory, several bunches of good butchers and best heavies selling at $3 90 and $4 00, while all other grades sold proportionately as well. Packers all wanted hogs and there was also a very good demand from shippers, with the usual inquiry from speculators, and the demand exceeded the supply so much that sellers found it a very easy matter to advance prices a little, sales to packers ranging from $3 75@3 90, to shippers at $3 70@3 75, and to speculators at $3 65@3 90 for mixed, and $3 15@3 25 for shipping pigs. About all the hogs were closed out before noon at these figures:

REPRESENTATIVE SALES.
National Yards.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
56	276	$3 90	72	181	$3 72½
55	195	3 75	57	275	3 85
60	262	3 85	76	194	3 70
65	243	3 85	49	258	3 80
30	224	3 90	33	211	3 85
55	231	3 90	62	220	3 80
49	318	4 00	59	266	3 85
42	304	4 00	44	290	3 80
53	270	3 90	65	215	3 80
163	111	3 25	86	131	3 70
65	228	3 70	47	184	3 65
60	250	3 87½	67	246	3 75
44	172	3 75	25	189	3 70
28	207	3 75	68	194	3 75
73	104	3 15	38	116	3 15
84	170	3 70	22	284	3 80
55	195	3 75	70	258	3 80

Union Stock Yards.
Daily Live Stock Report of Sales of Hogs.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
50	272	$4 00	80	210	$3 75
81	174	3 60	61	220	3 70
55	205	3 60	41	291	4 00
51	234	3 70	46	290	3 90
55	194	3 60	54	229	3 70
44	264	3 90	52	241	3 80
40	236	3 85	53	276	3 80
71	189	3 60	62	174	3 55
59	179	3 60			

SHEEP—Decidedly stronger and reported fully 50c higher than last week for good sheep. Demand also improved but supply small.

Representative Sales.
NATIONAL YARDS.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
99	96	$3 00	114	90	$2 60
343	101	3 00			

Horses and Mules.

HORSES—Heavy draught, extra, $160 to $200; heavy draught, good, $125 to $160; saddlers, $100 to $150; streeters, extra, $125; streeters, good, $90 to $100; Southern horses, $65 to $90; plugs, $15 to $40.

MULES—13½ hands, 4 to 7 years old, $60@75; 14 hands, 4 to 7 years old, $80@90; 14½ hands, 4 to 7 years old, $100@105; 15 hands, 4 to 7 years old, $110 $120; 15½ hands, 4 to 7 years old, extra, $130@145; 16 to 16½ hands, 4 to 7 years old, extra, $150@160.

Live Stock by Telegraph.

CHICAGO, December 29—Hogs—Receipts, 23,000; market steady and unchanged; light, $3 35@3 85; rough packing, $3 60@3 80; heavy packing and shipping, $3 85@4 10. Cattle—Receipts, 6,000; market steady; beef cattle $3 20@5 60; butchers, $1 50@3 70; stockers, $2 65@3 65 Sheep—Receipts, 3,000; market firm, infe.ior $2@2 75; good to choice $3@4.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, December 29.—NOON—Wheat ⅛@¼c higher, but only moderately active; receipts, 2,750 bu; sales, 248,000 bu; No. 2 red January 91@91⅛; 296,000 bu do February 92¾@93¾; 48,000 bu do March 94½@95; 528,000 bu do May 97⅜@98⅛. Corn ⅛@¼c higher; moderately active; mixed Western spot 40@50; future 45½@49; receipts, 189,800 bu; sales, 328,000 bu. Oats dull and nominal; Western 34@42; receipts, 55,100 bu; sales, 15,000 bu. Beef dull. Pork firm; new mess $9 87½@10 37½. Lard dull and weak; steam-rendered 6.35. Butter firm; Western 15@35. Sugar dull; crushed 7¼@7⅜; powdered 6⅞@7¼; granulated 6⅞. Eggs—Western fresh 24@25½. The total exports of produce from this port during the past week were valued at $4,765,899.

TOLEDO, December 29.—Wheat inactive; cash 92@92½; December 92 asked; January 92¼; February 94⅜; May 98⅛. Corn steady; cash or year 38; January 36¾; May 40 bid. Oats dull; cash 30; May 33. Clover seed quiet; cash, December or January $5 40; February $5 50 bid. Dressed hogs unchanged at $4 25.

NEW ORLEANS, December 29.—Flour quiet and unchanged; extra fancy $4 90@5 00; fancy $4 60; choice $4 40. Corn meal—Quiet at $2. Corn—Quiet and easy; mixed, 44c; yellow, 45c; white, 42@43c. Oats quiet; No. 2 sacked 37c. Bran—Quiet and steady at 80@82½c. Hay—Steady and unchanged; prime $14@16. Provisions—Dull and easy. Pork—$9 87½ old, $10 37½ new. Cut meats—Shoulders 3.85; sides 5c. Bacon—5½c, nominally 5⅞c; l.c.s. 5¾c. Choice sugar cured 9½@10c. Lard—Refined tierce 6c. packers' tierce 6¼c. Whisky—Nominal. Exchange on New York, 150 discount; sight nominal. Cotton—Spot weak at 8⅝c. Net receipts, 18,526; gross, 19,682.

BALTIMORE, December 29.—Wheat—Firmer; No. 2 winter red spot and December, 85c; January, 86⅜@86⅝c; February, 89@89½c; March, 91⅛@91⅜c. Corn—Firmer; mixed spot and January, 45¼@46c; December, 45¾@46½c; February, 45⅝@46c; steamer, 42½@42⅝c. Oats—Lower and dull; Western white, 37@39c, mixed, 34@36c. Provisions—Lower and quiet. Lard—Refined 7¼@7½c. Coffee firmer; Rio cargoes, ordinary to fair, 7¾@8½c. Other articles unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 10,000 brls; wheat, 3,500 bu; corn, 127,000 bu; oats, 4,000 bu; rye, 6,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 4,400 bu.

CHICAGO, December 29, 11:30 A. M.—Wheat opened strong this morning on the showing of a small decrease in the visible supply. May advanced to 91⅝c, but broke under free offerings to 91⅛c, but has rallied to 91⅜c. Corn 39⅝c May. Oats 31⅜c May. Pork 32½c lower. Lard unchanged.

1 P. M.—Wheat closed weak, ⅜c lower than yesterday; 84⅜c cash, 84½ January, 85⅛ February, 91 May. Corn steady; 36¼c cash, 36⅜c January, 39⅝c May. Oats firm; 27¼c cash and January, 31⅜c May. Rye 58¼c. Barley, 65c. Flaxseed, $1.12. Whisky, $1.16. Pork weak; $9.20 cash, $9.77½ January, $9.87½ February. Lard easy; $5.95 cash and January, $6.02½ February.

CINCINNATI, December 29.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat firmer; No. 2 red, 92¼c. Corn strong and higher; No. 3 mixed, 34c.; No. 2 mixed, 37c. Oats steady; No. 2 mixed, 30c. Rye quiet, unchanged. Barley in fair demand; extra No. 3 spring, 54@58c. Provisions dull, unchanged. Whiskey steady at $1.10; sales of 1,009 brls. of finished goods on this basis.

MILWAUKEE, December 29.—Wheat—Weak; cash 84c, January 84⅜c, May 90⅝c. Receipts 33,144; bu. Shipments none. Corn firm; No. 2 36¼c. Oats firm; No. 2 27½c. Rye dull; No. 1 58¼c. Barley firm; No. 2 52¾c. Receipts 18,325 bu. Shipments 90,550 bu.

DETROIT, December 29.—Wheat—No. 1 white 90¾ cash and December; 91¼ bid January; 97¼ May. No. 2 red 91¼ cash and December; 91½ January; 93¼ February; 97½ May. Receipts, 34,600 bu. Corn—New mixed 35½. Oats—No. 2 white, 32½; No. 2, 30.

Oil and Petroleum.

WILMINGTON, N. C., December 28.—Turpentine quiet at 35c.

CLEVELAND, December 29.—Petroleum unchanged. S. W. 110, 8¼c.

Foreign.

LIVERPOOL, December 29.—Wheat arrived quiet, but steady; corn arrived not much doing. Wheat to arrrive not much doing; corn to arrive quiet. Weather frosty. Spot wheat steady, with a fair demand; holders offer moderately. Mixed Western corn steady, with a fair demand. Demand from United Kingdom fair for wheat and corn. Receipts of wheat for the past 9 days, 331,000 centals, of which 84,000 American; receipts of corn, 214,600 centals.

LIVERPOOL, December 29, 3:30 P. M.—Close—Pork is in poor demand; prime mess Eastern 49s; do Western 40s; Lard is in poor demand; 31s 6d; steady. Wheat is in fair demand; new No. 2 winter and spring 7s 1½d. Flour is in poor demand at 8s 2d. Corn is in fair demand but dull; spot 4s 8d; December 4s 7d; January and February 4s 3d.

Weather Bulletin.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
SIGNAL SERVICE U. S. ARMY,
WASHINGTON, December 29, 1885.

The following observations are taken at 7 a. m., 75th meridian time:

STATIONS—	Barom.	Therm.	Wind.	Rainfall in 24 h.	State of Weather
Jacksonville, Fla.	30.15	40	Calm	....	Clear.
Vicksburg	30.02	48	SE	....	Clear.
New Orleans, La.	30.04	52	E	....	Cloudy.
Shreveport, La.	29.92	55	S	....	Cloudy.
Fort Smith	29.85	49	E	•—	Cloudy.
Little Rock, Ark.	29.94	44	SE	•—	Clear.
Galveston, Tex.	29.89	62	SE	....	Cloudy.
Memphis, Tenn.	29.99	43	SE	....	Hazy.
Nashville, Tenn.	30.07	45	SE	•—	Cloudy.
Louisville, Ky.	30.05	47	SW	.03	Cloudy.
Indianapolis, Ind.	30.03	36	S	.08	Cloudy.
Cincinnati, O.	30.06	37	SE	.06	Cloudy.
Pittsburg, Pa.	30.08	36	SW	.12	Cloudy.
Chicago, Ill	29.96	40	SE	.10	Foggy.
St. Paul, Minn.	29.89	34	SE	.19	Foggy.
La Crosse, Wis.	29.89	38	S	.12	Lt. Rain
Davenport, Iowa.	29.91	38	SE	.27	Foggy.
Des Moines, Iowa.	29.85	44	Calm	.15	Foggy.
Keokuk, Iowa.	29.89	46	S	.01	Foggy.
Cairo, Ill.	30.00	49	S	....	Cloudy.
Springfield, Ill.	29.93	46	S	.06	Thr'n'g
St. Louis, Mo.	29.94	51	SE	.13	Lt. Rain
Leavenworth, Kan.	29.85	47	S	.06	Lt. Rain
Omaha, Neb.	29.89	40	N	.07	Lt. Rain
Yankton, Dak.	29.97	32	NW	•—	Foggy.
Moorhead, Minn.	29.86	30	SW	•—	Cloudy.
Bismarck, Dak.	30.05	33	N	....	Cloudy.
Fort Custer, M. T.	30.31	27	N	....	Clear.
Deadwood, Dak.	30.30	35	N	....	Clear.
North Platte, Neb.	30.02	40	NW	.26	Clear.
Denver, Col.	30.10	35	E	....	Sleeting
West Las Animas.	29.87	36	N	.45	Cloudy.
Dodge City, Kan.	29.86	44	S	.07	Cloudy.
El Paso, Tex.	29.87	36	NW	....	Fair.
Salt Lake City	30.20	31	NE	....	Fair.

Dash (•—) indicates rainfall inappreciable.

Indications.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—For the East Gulf States—Increasing cloudiness and local rains, east to south winds; occasionally variable, slightly warmer in southern portions; nearly stationary in northern portions. For the West Gulf States—Local rains, southerly winds, becoming variable; slight changes in temperature. For the Ohio Valley and Tennessee—Light rains, southerly winds, becoming variable; slightly warmer in eastern portions; nearly stationary temperature in western portions. For the Lower Lake Region—Light rains, south to west winds, becoming variable; slight changes in temperature. For the Upper Lake Region—Light rains and snows, winds becoming variable, preceded by southeast winds in southern portions; nearly stationary temperature in southern portions; slightly colder in northwest portions. For the Upper Mississippi Valley—Light rains and snows, variable winds; slightly colder. For the Missouri Valley—Fair weather, preceded by local rains in southern portions; variable, preceded by northerly winds; colder in southern portions; stationary temperature in northern portion. The rivers will remain about stationary.

Special River Report.

ST. LOUIS, December 29, 1885.

STATIONS.	Above Low Beach-Mark.	Fall.	Rise.
St Louis	7.4 ft.	0.1	......
Peoria	11.8 ft.	......	0.5 ft.
Hermann	4.0 ft.	0.2	......
Warsaw	......	....	......
Kansas City	5.5 ft.	1.7	1.7

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The River.

The rise continues in the river, but so far the Anchor Line nor the Barge Line have put a boat in the trade. The Dacotah is out to go south to-morrow, and the Tyler is booked for the Ohio for this afternoon. The Dora will leave to-morrow for Hamburg. The rise amounts to about five inches per day.

River Telegrams.

CINCINNATI, December 29.—River 15 feet 8 inches; falling. Cloudy. Thermometer 45 degrees. Arrived: Sherley, Pittsburg; Charles Morgan, New Orleans.

LOUISVILLE, KY., December 29, NOON.—River stationary; 7 feet 2 inches in canal; 5 feet on falls. Business dull. Weather mild. Locals on time.

CAIRO, ILL., December 29.—Arrived: Annie P. Silver, New Orleans, 9 p. m. Departed: Annie P. Silver, St. Louis, 7 a. m. River 19 feet; falling. Cloudy and mild.

MEMPHIS, TENN., December, 29—NOON—River falling. Arrived: D. R. Powell, St. Louis. Clear.

PITTSBURG, December 29.—River 5 feet 6 inches; falling. Cloudy and mild.

WHEELING, W. VA., December 29.—River 8 feet inches and falling. Departed: Katie Stockdale, Cincinnati, 5:30 a. m.; Batchellor, Pittsburg, 9 a. m.; Diurnal, Parkersburg, 11 a. m. Locals on time. Weather cloudy adn cool.

PITTSBURG, PA., December 29.—Petroleum quiet but firm. Opened at 88¼c, and advanced to 88⅜c at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Marine.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Arrived: Steamer Circassia from Glasgow.

QUEENSTOWN, December 29.—Arrived: Steamer City of Richmond from New York.

DIED.

WOOD—At 830 Brooklyn street, December 29, at 4:30 a. m., SARA A. WOOD, beloved mother of C. E. Wood and Nellie Wood Crain, aged 77 years, 4 months and 2 days.

Due notice of funeral given. Friends of the family are requested to attend.

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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

OLYMPIC (Broadway, near Walnut)—Harrison and Gourlay.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE (Market, between Broadway and Sixth)—Burke's New Humpty-Dumpty.

POPE'S (Ninth and Olive)—Aimee.

PEOPLE'S (Sixth and Walnut)—The Black Flag.

STANDARD (Seventh and Walnut)—A Pair of Kids.

CASINO (Fourth, near Walnut)—Howard Athenæum Star Specialty Company.

PALACE MUSEUM (Sixth, near Franklin avenue)—1 p. m. to 10 p. m.

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS (Nineteenth and Locust)—Open daily.

STAR RINK—(Nineteenth and Pine)—Open day and evening.

MATINEES TO-MORROW.

GRAND—Burke's New Humpty-Dumpty.

POPE'S—Aimee.

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STANDARD—A Pair of Kids.

CHICAGO is exercised over the "faith cure." One reason for believing that the "faith cure" would work well on Chicago is that every other kind of cure has failed.

MR. BLAINE has nearly finished the second volume of his "Twenty Years in Congress." It would give greater completeness to the book to add an appendix with a short biographical sketch of Dr. BURCHARD.

FITZHUGH LEE, Governor-elect of Virginia, is a reformer of the Cleveland pattern. He has refused to accept a carriage recently offered him as a present. "The treason-stained saddle" did no great damage, after all.

PRESIDENT THOMPSON of the Chase National Bank, in New York, who says that he is not scared by silver, represents a very widespread opinion. The financial question ought to be settled without any attempt to scare anybody.

THE use of the blood-hound on Indians, as contemplated in New Mexico, is no new thing. The Spaniards tried it in Cuba before the first English colony was established in America, and it acted like a charm. In this sort of warfare, the Indians are not especially anxious to get the scalps of the dogs, and hence do not fight as bravely as usual.

THE Post-Office Department is now receiving bids for carrying the mails on the star routes in the Western States and Territories. Mr. VILAS now has an opportunity to put the Western star-route service in a state of efficiency that shall stand forth in glaring contrast with its crude and often scandalous condition under Republican administrations.

IN Philadelphia the color line is drawn in Monument Cemetery, the charter of which forbids the interment of colored people. A blind girl, supposed to be colored, recently died and the cemetery authorities refused to admit the body. The mother now claims that the girl was white and adopted by her. The civil rights bill could hardly be brought to bear in a case like this.

THE Christmas sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. HALE of Boston shows that his mind is in a state of wholesome evolution toward a better and higher state. He recently delivered a savage political harangue in which he characterized the Southern States as "oligarchies," whose citizens are not yet free, and hinted that the Union would be better off without them. Christmas is a means of grace as well as a joyous occasion.

MR. FRANCIS, our late Minister to Austria, is injudicious enough to hint that if we leave the Austrian mission vacant Austria will retaliate by legislating against American citizens of Austrian birth. Austria tried an experiment in that direction a good many years ago, and her experience on that occasion should make her very unwilling to try conclusions with us again. But all this happened at a time when we were represented abroad by men of very different calibre from Mr. FRANCIS.

JUDGE HUGH CAMPBELL, attorney for the Territory of Dakota, and Senator VEST are having an angry quarrel which has taken the shape of reciprocal biography and is quite interesting. Senator VEST is refreshing the public memory in reference to the returning-board record made by Judge CAMPBELL in Louisiana in 1876, while Judge CAMPBELL is attending to Senator VEST'S military service in the Confederate army. The public will hear both sides and gather all the information of value that may be offered.

THEY manage these things differently in France. There a Presidential campaign lasts about three days, and a Presidential election is held by the electors appointed for that purpose. In this country we have relegated the constitutional electors to the position of dummies, and we do not allow our Senate and House to even name the candidates. Our Presidential election is practically decided by a body unknown to our constitution and outside of our laws. But in each case the result seems to be about the same, and the Presidency represents the best attainable choice of the people.

CITY AND STATE TAXES.

In these Christmas holidays the common people of St. Louis are paying their taxes to escape the penalties that accrue after the close of the year. Many thousands of them, after patiently waiting their turns, and finally extricating themselves from the crush in Collector SEXTON'S office, will take home with them tax-receipts that would produce tumults in some cities. A man may patiently submit to a tax of $25.50 on every $1,000 his house and lot are worth, but when he finds that this high rate is levied on an over-valuation, 10 or 20 per cent above the price he can get for the property—when he knows that he can buy more valuable properties in the same block for less money than his own is valued at for taxation—he has a right to assume that somebody else profits by the wrong done to him.

It is notorious that this over-valuation in St. Louis imposes on her an undue proportion of the State tax, to the great relief of rural property-holders, who are thus enabled to evade a very large part of their just share of the State tax. The only excuse or apology for this grossly unjust assessment in St. Louis, is that she is forbidden by law to raise the rate, and must, therefore, assess real estate at or above its market value in order to obtain the local revenue she is compelled to have. And we are told that it is out of tender regard for the local necessities of St. Louis alone that the State Board of Equalization permits the State tax to be collected on the full value of real estate in this city, while it is levied on but half the value of outside real estate. If the State Board should lower the St. Louis assessment to equalize it with the valuation of property throughout the State, the city's taxes would be limited by law to the same lower valuation and the city's revenues would show a large deficit.

Whatever else there may be in this excuse or apology, the POST-DISPATCH has demonstrated again and again that it does not release the members of the State Board from the obligation imposed on them by law and by their official oaths to "equalize the valuation of property among the several counties." Such equalization is made their imperative duty by law, and they are sworn to perform it without fear or favor, and regardless of the local necessities of any municipality whatever. And there is a way to compel them to perform that duty.

The tax-payers of New York City have for years past accused their State Board of Equalization of unjustly increasing their local real estate assessments so as to impose an undue proportion of the State tax upon them. The local assessors have steadily increased the assessment of real estate in New York City from $942,571,690 in 1880 to $1,168,443,187 in 1885, an average increase of $46,000,000 a year in real estate. Yet the State Board has added largely to the local assessment of real estate every year, the raise this year amounting to $113,000,000.

By way of resisting this imposition, the city tax-payers have obtained a writ of *certiorari* from a local court, returnable before the general term of the Supreme Court at Albany, and, in the meantime, an injunction has been issued restraining the collection of the tax under the State Board's assessment until the Supreme Court shall have reviewed the action of the Board in the premises. If the tax-payers of St. Louis were inclined, they could, by a similar process, put a stop to this excessive assessment of St. Louis property for State purposes. We believe that a review of the action of our State Board by the Supreme Court would result in a decision that very large amounts of State revenue have been extorted from the tax-payers of St. Louis unlawfully, through the failure of the State Board to obey the law and perform its sworn duty. What else could the court say in the face of conclusive proof that residence property in this city has been sold for three years past, and can be bought now, for 75 per cent of the assessed valuation?

A SILVER COMPROMISE.

The silver men claim to have ascertained by a careful canvass of both branches of Congress that they have a majority of more than sixty in the House opposed to the suspension of silver, and that forty-five Senators out of the seventy-six will vote against suspension, while two of the remaining thirty-one are counted as doubtful. Much depends, however, upon the shape in which the question shall be presented.

No doubt many of the silver men would cheerfully consent to a temporary suspension as an experiment, if they could be assured that Congress could retain its control over the date of resumption. They may be satisfied that we have all the silver dollars we need or can make good use of as matters stand now, and they may be perfectly willing to try the effect at home and abroad of suspending silver coinage for a stated period—say one year. But, with the veto power in the hands of an administration which is supposed to be hostile to silver and wedded to gold, they are unwilling to pass an act of suspension which would take away from Congress the sole power to protract the suspension or to permit a resumption of the coinage at the end of the stated period. By simply repealing the mandatory provision of the Bland act, they know that they would put it out of the power of anything less than a two-thirds majority in both houses to have the coinage of silver resumed until after the election of a President favorable to such resumption.

But by passing an amendment providing that the coinage of silver dollars shall be suspended for one year, and then be resumed, unless Congress shall in the meantime provide for a further suspension of one year, they can retain, independent of the veto power, the control of a bare majority of the two Houses over the question. It may be that President CLEVELAND will attempt to compromise with Congress on that basis, and, if he does, he will break the ranks of those who oppose the suspension. They are not all "silver cranks." It is probable that such a compromise would entirely satisfy such silver men as Speaker CARLISLE, Senator BECK, of Kentucky, and Senator ALLISON, of Iowa.

THE story in this morning's *Globe-Democrat* about District Attorney BLISS and the Brazilian counterfeiting cases sounds very thin. Without volunteering any more specific defense of Mr. BLISS, we may say that he is not at all likely to compromise himself for the sum of $800. He is probably able to account for every dollar that passes through his hands in connection with any of his official duties. But the story will serve a good purpose if it calls attention to the fact that the expenditures of public money in the Department of Justice are not considered matters for the public information. In fact, all district attorneys and clerks and other law officers of the United States regard all attempts to obtain such information as impertinent intrusions, and they have only themselves to blame when the secrecy which they throw around public matters leads to disagreeable little incidents like the present one.

THE gas companies will receive on New Year's day—as usual.

IN sensational murders, there is a close race between Texas and New England.

GERMANY has captured a sort of CHASE-TOWNLEY estate in her newly acquired Pacific islands.

THE French Chamber of Deputies conducts its elections under Marquis of Queensaberry rules.

MINISTER COX ought to find out what the Sultan thinks of President CLEVELAND'S Mormon policy.

DAKOTA will not be permitted to attend Uncle Sam's family party unless dressed strictly *en regle*.

THE St. Louis poker players are having so much trouble with the police that they ought to organize a strike.

WHEN SANTA CLAUS reached the houses of many of the office-seekers, he simply left his card and passed on.

A PREACHER at North Manchester, Ind., has fallen heir to $500,000, but he still has the cheek to take up collections.

IF THE Home Rulers succeed in boycotting the potato bug they will prove that there is some virtue in the practice.

A CURIOUS Londoner has discovered that NELL GWYNN and ELLEN TERRY, "have a great deal in common," which statement is easy to believe.

THIS is the time of year when Big Creek and Slab Town Bayou try to squeeze into the River and Harbor Appropriation Bill in the interest of flat-boat navigation.

HOODLUMS have taken charge of New Orleans. If they run the city government they should be public-spirited enough to attend to needed reforms.

A SUTLER who damaged his constitution drinking some sugar-cane rum captured from the Confederates, wishes a place among the pensioned veterans.

ILLINOIS is to have her streams stocked with carp. It would be greedy to still insist on the Hennepin Canal appropriation after such liberal action on the part of the Government.

A LADY writes: "For an unmarried man, the President writes so beautifully about marriage." The speculative philosopher will have to determine how much of this beautiful writing is due to the President's unmarried state.

MR. BOYD WINCHESTER, like a true Kentuckian, has not forgotten how to trace the pedigrees of thoroughbred horses since landing in Switzerland, and he still remembers, with tolerable accuracy, the difference between three deuces and two pair.

THE political duties of the newly elected Senators from Dakota are very similar to the Parliamentary duties of Mr. CHARLES BRADLAUGH of England, who has been elected so often without taking his seat. The pecuniary compensation in the two cases is about the same.

A Wife's Worth.

New York Times.

The money value of a wife's services above the food, clothing and medicine to which she is legally entitled from her husband has just had a curious illustration in Rhode Island. During the cival war William R. Cripps, of Newport, married Mrs. Elizabeth H. Thurston, whose husband was supposed to have been killed while serving in a Rhode Island regiment. But after the lapse of years the first husband reappeared, and upon learning the state of things married another woman, Cripps, a few months ago turned his wife out of doors, refused to support her, and applied for a divorce, which the judge granted, as the marriage was illegal. The woman was destitute. A lawyer, J. P. Galvin, took her case in hand and brought suit against Cripps for services rendered by his supposed wife as his housekeeper, and secured judgment in the sum of $2,000.

Violating the Law.

From the Philadelphia Record.

As for the resolution of inquiry proposed by the Senator from Kentucky, all that it contains may readily be admitted. No Secretary of the Treasury has attempted to obey the Silver Dollar act since its adoption, except in the matter of coinage. No creditor of the Government has been compelled to accept the cheap and bulky coinage in payment of debt or interest. Not even Senator Beck and Representative Warner have been asked to take their favorite coinage in payment of salaries. In this respect the law has been treated as a dead letter, not only by Secretary Manning, but by his predecessors, Secretaries Sherman and Folger. With abundance of gold in the Treasury, its officials have not been obliged to pay out depreciated silver dollars in lieu of gold. In order to maintain the gold standard Secretary Manning was obliged, some time ago, to borrow $6,000,000 or so in gold from the banks with deposits of subsidiary silver. If he has not strictly followed the Bland law, as charged by Senator Beck, he can answer that he has saved the country from a financial calamity by his wise course.

What Evarts Says About Silver.

From the New York WORLD.

It has been understood for the past fortnight that Mr. William Maxwell Evarts, who was elected to the United States Senate last year from this State, was preparing an elaborate speech in favor of the continued coinage of the silver dollar. Additional color was lent to the rumor by Mr. Evarts' past well-known sympathies with silver and silver men, and from the fact that he attended the International Silver Congress in Paris several years ago. As Mr. Evarts had not denied or affirmed the truth of the story, a WORLD reporter called upon him last night to see about it. The following conversation was the result:

"Mr. Evarts, you have no doubt seen the report that has been circulated over the country regarding your position on the silver question?"

"I have."

"Do you object informing the WORLD whether that report is true or false?"

"What I did say, and all that I will say now, was this: When the debate on the question occurs in the Senate I shall have something to say on it."

"Are you disposed to let the WORLD know what your position will be?"

"I have nothing more to say," observed the Senator, with a smile and a good-night bow that Henry Clay might have envied.

How They Do It.

From the Courier-Journal.

Texas Pacific was reduced to insolvency by its Southern parasite, the New Orleans Pacific, and the New Orleans Pacific was eviscerated by the Construction Company. The latter was a sort of financial devil-fish, with whose ways we become familiar only by dissecting the remains of its victims. We learn of the nature and habits of this class of parasite only after its dissolution, as no American court has ever been strong enough to resist the inducements offered it to be weak until the devil-fish has digested its prey and dissolved into its elements. The Texas Pacific, belonging to the Gould interest, is sued by the Missouri Pacific, another of Gould's interests, and the general motor of Gould's Southwestern system, and about $1,700,000 of damage is asked. This sum was advanced by Gould's Missouri Pacific to Gould's Texas Pacific to Gould's New Orleans Pacific to repair somewhat the spoliations of Gould's Construction Company, which is charged with having received a profit of about $4,000,000 for constructing a worthless road-bed and track, which can become of no practical value until reconstructed.

Cockrell and Vest.

From the Mexico Intelligencer.

Senator Cockrell has shown a disposition to act in harmony with the policy of Mr. Cleveland, and to consult the wishes of his constituents. Senator Vest proposes to run the machine to suit himself, Col. Joe Rickey, Dick Lancaster, and politicians of that order. That is just the difference between the two men. We shall not hesitate to condemn Senator Cockrell when, in our judgment, he deserves it, as he did for not vigorously opposing the appointment of Lancaster; but Cockrell is so far above the average politician that we should be very slow to exchange him for anything now in sight. He is honest, and the men who have his confidence and esteem are not the political strikers who make a business of manipulating corrupt politics. A man may be pretty safely judged by his associates, and Senator Cockrell is always found in clean company.

Vest's Friends.

From the Mexico Intelligencer.

In a recent speech Senator Vest stated that he wanted it distinctly understood that in the distribution of the offices he was looking out for his friends. As Senator Vest claims the right to provide for his friends at the public expense, it strikes us that the party that placed him in power might at least be permitted to ask that his friends be above the Dick Lancaster grade. It is not so much the taking care of his friends, of which the better element of the Democracy is complaining, as it is the character of friends that Senator Vest is taking care of.

A Pile-Driver for Dick.

From the Mexico Intelligencer.

A number of reputable Democrats of St. Louis have forwarded remonstrances to Washington City against the confirmation of R. D. Lancaster as Surveyor of the Port. The Senate will do the country and the Democratic party a most valuable service if it sits down on Mr. Lancaster with the force of a pile-driver.

MEN OF MARK.

SENATOR PLUMB wants the whole diplomatic service abolished. There are none of the Senator's friends in it now.

COL. INGERSOLL'S $40,000 law practice does not cover his open-handed expenditures. That is why he lectures, some say.

SECRETARY BAYARD has accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address at the University of Kansas next spring.

ONE of the members of the East Indian delegation which lately called on Mr. Chamberlain at Birmingham is named Muddi-iyar.

NEW YORK Graphic: "It is stated that the Hon. Joseph Pulitzer has distributed $16,000 among his employes. All honor to the Hon. Joseph Pulitzer."

MR. JAMES G. BLAINE is again a happy grandfather by the birth of another son to his daughter, the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel John J. Coppinger, of the Eighteenth Infantry, U. S. A.

MR. LOCKROY, Victor Hugo's son-in-law, besides being rich, with decided literary ability, is a keen and successful politician. He is a radical Republican and aspires to the premiership.

A DOZEN years ago J. R. Robinson took hold of the business end of the London Daily News, the great Liberal organ. It was then a losing concern, but, under his direction, is now a veritable gold mine.

STEPHEN STANISLAUS, Governor of the Penobscot Indians, is said to have one of the best farms in Maine, on Mattanawcook Island, near Lincoln. His term of office expires next Thursday, and he will not—can not—be re-elected.

AUSTRIAN newspapers report that six of the American medical students at Vienna not only offered to Servia their gratuitous aid in attending the wounded, but actually left for the front, and six others hold themselves ready to start.

GOVERNOR HOADLY of Ohio says he will pay his share, $60,000, of the recently discovered deficiency in the unfortunate Purcell fund, and that he will have enough money left to live on after that.

POPE LEO XIII. has an income from all sources of more than a million a year, but, like Victor Hugo's Bishop Myriel, he dispenses the most of it in charities, and Mgr. Capel says that the Pope limits his own personal expenses to $3.50 a day.

MR. GEORGE AUGUSTUS SALA makes English readers of his letters from Melbourne uncomfortable by declaring that laboring men in Australia earn 8 shillings for a day's work of eight hours, eat meat three times a day, and have no State church to support and no State drones to feed.

AT the recent performance of Massenet's opera, "Le Cid," M. Gounod became so enthusiastic that he sprang upon the stage and with outstretched arms exclaimed to the author: "Come to me, my son. I am content. Come and embrace papa." "My son" is 48, and "papa" is 67.

MR. GEORGE W. CHILDS, of Philadelphia, is so constantly engaged in acts of beneficence that he was considerably puzzled how to distinguish Christmas from the other days of the year, so he gave each Sunday-school boy of St. James' Episcopal Church an order for $10 worth of clothing.

THE Justices of the Supreme Court are very indignant at a widely-published paragraph, which represents them to be a lot of old topers, with a bar-room behind the scenes and a man employed at Government expense to brew punches and mix cocktails for them.

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WOMEN OF THE WORLD.

MME. NEVADA has taken all Minneapolis by storm.

IN-DOOR dresses are now made somewhat in the style of a monk's dress. They are very becoming, all the same.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S personal estate is estimated at $30,000,000, and her lands and estates are worth fully $15,000,000 more.

MRS. BARRIOS, widow of the late President of Guatemala, is staying in New Orleans this winter. She has a fortune of $8,000,000.

MRS. BELVA ANN LOCKWOOD advertised to lecture at Binghampton, N. Y., and was promptly on hand in the hall, but the audience wasn't.

THE wife of the new Chinese Ambassador has startled the Parisians; she is a sensation in dress. Such lovely silks, such brilliant colors and elaborate and graceful embroidery have hardly been dreamed of.

THE young lady, Miss Jones, of Hyland, Ulster County, New York, who received $500,000 for an act of kindness to an elderly lady in New York City, has received eleven letters asking her hand in marriage.

IT is the fashion to place gold paper hearts and dried rosebuds wrapped in magnolia leaves on the tomb of Juliet at Verona. Juliet's tears are sold in Verona, but they are confectionery, a sort of Verona brandy ball.

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LADIES who wear gloves of medium or light color are cautioned against the use of umbrellas with silver handles, as they will seriously blacken the inside of the glove, and it is quite impossible to remove the stain.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

SUBSCRIBER—Gen. Philip Sheridan was born in Somerset, Ohio, March 6, 1831.

READERS—The distance from St. Louis to New York is 1,050 miles; to San Francisco 2,400 miles.

J. P. L.—The decisions of the courts thus far are that the present telephone is the invention of Prof. Alexander Graham Bell.

SUBSCRIBER—Tax bills not paid before January 1 are immediately increased by 10 per cent and interest, and costs accrue until they are paid.

SUBSCRIBER—Captain Boycott, an English landlord, residing in Ireland, was the person whose name was used to describe the treatment extended to him.

ANXIOUS GIRL—If you can satisfy the Recorder that there is necessity for the secrecy you mention, he will, very probably, make the arrangement you ask.

A SUBSCRIBER—There is one tunnel at Vineland, forty-seven miles from St. Louis, on the main line. If the bet meant that a passenger had to ride through two tunnels to get to Poplar Bluff, B. loses the wager. The other tunnel is at Glen Allen, on the Belmont Branch, 130 miles from St. Louis.

THE METROPOLITAN PRESS.

What the Editors of the New York Journals Are Saying This Morning.

By Telegraph to THE POST-DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The WORLD says: "As the public business of the country necessarily increases with the growth of population and the amount of territory subdued, the subject of the proper regulation of the civil service becomes yearly one of greater moment. The present law, about which so much ado has been made, is but a timid effort at reform, when the situation calls for a broad and thorough measure. It applies only to those offices employing fifty or more employes, and thus leaves the great mass of patronage in precisely the same condition as before. It is only a question of a few years when the appointments not covered by the law will be greater than the whole number was before the law was enacted, and this augmentation will constantly continue. Whatever evils there are in the present condition of things will be intensified with each succeeding Administration, and no half-way treatment will suffice to meet them."

THE SUN.

The Sun says: "All that Mr. Cleveland now is in an official sense, he owes to the Democratic party. It was the Democratic party which took him from obscurity, and made him in uninterrupted succession, and with a marvelous promptitude of continuous elevation, Sheriff of Erie County, Mayor of Buffalo, Governor of New York, and President of the United States. This being the case is it possible that, under any circumstances, or any stress of temptation, he should allow himself to be used in hostility to the Democracy, or should in any event be willing to receive new promotion or even the promise of it, from any organization, whether newly created in hostility to the Democracy, or organized long since for its defeat and suppression?"

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Just as Good as New.

From the Chicago Times.

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the famous pugilist, at 5 Park Place. This only lasted a year, and he then started another house at 8 Barclay street, and left that two years later for a house at Prince and Mercer streets. He remained there for some years and became very prominently known as a sporting man throughout the country. He was out on the road nearly every day, and drove one of the fastest teams—Honest John and mate—in the State. He was a very bold and skillful driver and fond of matching his horses against other fast teams. Just before the war he had a race with Joe Hall's fast team—Lantern and mate. Ransom was near the finish, and a sure winner, when his arms gave out and this gave the other driver, Horace Jones, a chance to win by a neck. Fully $20,000 changed hands on the result. While at Fifteenth street, Ransom's first wife died, and he buried her at New Haven, and erected a $6,000 monument over her grave. He married again, but not happily, and a divorce followed. Fifteen years ago he married his third wife, a lady of great beauty, who survives him. He had no children. About 1867, Ransom bought the house at 11 West Twenty-fifth street, and fitted it up very elegantly as a private gaming resort. It was a gambling house before he took it. Olmstead and Jumps had it first and then it was run by Lee Knight, who sold it to Ransom. The size of Ransom's place was only exceeded by the house managed by John Morrisey in West Twenty-fourth street. This was in the flush times after the war when men who had made money rapidly seemed equally anxious to get rid of it. There was no limit on the games, and as much as $80,000 was lost in a night by one player. Morrisey's place cleared $90,000 profit in the first month. John Toben won $30,000 in one day. Ransom made money as rapidly as the others, but he was a liberal man and most of it slipped through his fingers. Like all other gamblers he bucked the tiger himself, and lost much money in that way. Of late years, however, he entirely ceased from playing and saved

A FORTUNE OF $250,000.

He speculated in Wall street, but it is not known that he lost any large sums there. For several years past he owned and managed the New York Club House, a gaming house adjoining the Ocean House at Long Branch. He passed his summers at the Branch and there made the acquaintance of many respectable gentlemen who were never seen inside his gaming house. Most of his friends were of the respectable class and he did not seem to care for the society of gamblers, although he had a few warm friends among them. He never drank and never smoked, and his manners were pleasant and gentlemanly. He bore the reputation of being entirely square. No suspicion was ever cast on the games which he conducted. His house was frequented by prominent merchants, brokers and professional men, who had a fondness for gaming. He excluded very young men and men who were under the influence of liquor. Many stories are told of his generosity in giving back to those who had lost money in his place which he knew they could ill afford to lose, or which they had been tempted to steal from their employers. At one time a young dry goods merchant, who had come from Vermont to buy his spring stock, was taken into Ransom's. He played and lost, went out and cashed checks and played and lost again. Then he became frightened and talked of shooting himself. Ransom talked to him and became convinced that it was a sad case. He made the man take

A SOLEMN OATH ON A BIBLE

never to gamble again, and then returned him what he had lost. This was his plan in all such cases. He invariably required the repentant player to swear off before returning the money. Ransom was particularly fond of stock operations on Wall street, where he was popular. Most of his stock operations were conducted through Frank Work. Men like Chas. I. Osborn and Wm. R. Travers were his warm friends. It is said that the Rev. John P. Newman, known principally as Gen. Grant's pastor, was an intimate friend of the gambler. A late President of the United States was once a patron of his establishment, and members of Congress darkened his doorway constantly. It is said that on one occasion a young man lost $3,000 at faro in the Twenty-fifth street house. The victim went in tears to Ransom, who was sitting in a back room with some friends.

"Mr. Ransom," he cried, "I've lost money that did not belong to me. I have been weak enough to yield to temptation, and my whole life will be ruined by it."

"How old are you?" said Ransom, curtly.

"I'm 23."

"The gambler went to a table and wrote a pledge abjuring gambling of all kinds for life. Then he held the handle of the pen towards the victim: "Sign it, and you shall have every cent of your money back," he said. The young man eagerly signed the pledge and had his money restored to him. On another occasion a clergyman's son claimed to have lost $1,000 at Ransome's place. There was a row over the affair, and Ransome gave $600 to the young man, although he declared that only $500 had been originall lost.

In November, 1881, Ransom was arrested on complaint of Hatch & Peters of 25 Pine street, whose cashier, Georgs M. Tomkins, alleged that he had lost a large sum of money in Ransom's place. This was subsequently compromised. Speaking of the man Ransom said: "I did not know his name or his business or his face before he came here. If I had known that he was a cashier or a trusted clerk

I WOULD HAVE KICKED HIM OUT

as quick as he came in. We want no such men to do business with."

A friend of Ransom's said at the St. James Hotel last evening that in 1870 a young merchant from Connecticut came to this city to invest some $5,000 which he had saved. He lost it all at Ransom's and when he went home he told of his misfortune to a lady to whom he was to be married shortly. He said it would compel him to postpone the wedding for a year or two. The young lady said nothing, but at once started for New York and saw Ransom. He was pretty flush just then, and she had little trouble in getting him to give her back the $5,000. He said he would give it to her, but not to the man, and so they settled it. She returned to Connecticut, and the marriage took place. Ransom was kind to his family. He supported three of his sisters and established them on a farm near New Brunswick, N. J., for which he paid $75,000. He also helped his brother, Shell Ransom, who has a livery stable at New Haven. For several years he made up books at the races at Monmouth Park, Jerome Park and Sheepshead Bay. He had others to do the selling. He was one of the owners of Babcock's crack horse Helmbold, which won many races at Saratoga some ten years ago. He has not been seen on the road for years past. It was his custom to drop in at John Barry's, at McComb's Dambridge and talk with his friends. It is said of him that he was always ready to help his friends when they were in trouble, and that he gave away large sums of money in this way. He also gave much in charity and subscribed annually in sums of $50 and $100 to several charitable institutions. In his will he has bequeathed the New Jersey farm and an annuity to his sisters. The bulk of his fortune goes to his wife, Georgiana Ransom, who is executrix, with ex-Judge James M. Smith as executor. Funeral services will be at the house to-morrow morning at 9:30. The body will be taken to New Haven and there interred.

A SNEAK THIEF CORNERED.

Bold Attempt of a "Christian in Distress" to Rob Dr. Talmage.

Brooklyn, December 29.—The Rev. Dr. Talmage left his house, 1 South Oxford street, about noon yesterday. He had been gone only a few moments when the door bell rang and the trim little Irish servant girl who attends to the bell admitted a thin, gray-haired man, wearing a rather seedy-looking brown suit and Derby hat and eye-glasses. He looked as if he had been chilled by the wintry wind, and the girl had noticed he had no overcoat. With much assurance and rather pleasing voice he asked if Dr. Talmage was in, and having been answered in the negative, he inquired for Mrs. Talmage. The girl having told him that Mrs. Talmage was up-stairs he handed her a letter and asked her to deliver it. She took the letter, which was addressed to Dr. Talmage, and started up-stairs. Before turning into the hall on the second floor she heard a rustling on the hat-rack below and, looking over the rail, she noticed the visitor examining the four or five overcoats hanging on it. It struck her at once that the visitor was a sneak thief, and she lost no time in hurrying to Mrs. Talmage and stating her suspicions. Mrs. Talmage tore open the envelope and found a begging letter from "A Christian in Distress." She went down-stairs with the girl to see the visitor, whose appearance had meanwhile

UNDERGONE A TRANSFORMATION.

He was wrapped in a fine chinchilla overcoat, his derby hat had been removed and a partially bald head, with a broad, intellectual-looking forehead was exposed. The girl noticed the change, and it made her suspicions fully confirmed.

"Where did you get that coat?" she asked. "You did not have it when you came in." Then, turning to Mrs. Talmage, she added: "That's the doctor's overcoat." As she spoke, she stepped past the visitor and adjusted a patent fastening on the door, which prevents its being opened on either side.

"Take that coat off," Mrs. Talmage said. "It belongs to my husband."

The man raised his spectacled eyes, with apparent astonishment, and said: "You're mistaken, madame, you're mistaken."

"I think not," Mrs. Talmage said, "but let me look at it." She then turned down the collar and saw the trade mark of the house at which Dr. Talmage had purchased the coat on his last visit to London. Then, all doubt being removed, she said firmly: "Take off that coat, you're a thief."

"Open the door first," the man said, raising his clinched fist threateningly, and at the same time removing the coat with the ready assistance of the girl. As soon as he had divested himself of the coat the door was opened and he hastily departed. The police sent out a general alarm calling for the arrest of a gray-whiskered and gray-mustached man, 5 feet 5 inches tall, and wearing a brown suit and a Derby hat. The description tallies with that of a sneak thief who has been robbing the residents of the hill. Mrs. Talmage related the adventure to her husband as soon as he returned home. He complimented her on saving his most comfortable winter overcoat, but expressed his regret that the thief, who, he said, resembled a broken-down minister whom he knew, had not been captured.

"My son," he said last evening, was up stairs at the time, and if he had been called down there would have been a tussle."

THE OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI.

A Meeting of Bondholders Refuses to Exchange 5 Per Cent For 7 Per Cent Bonds.

Baltimore, December 29.—A meeting of the bondholders of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad Company was held yesteday, when the committee appointed on the 22d inst. presented a report affirming the decision of that meeting, refusing to accept 5 per cent for the 7 per cent bonds they now hold. The report states that the conclusion reached by the decision of the courts has been acquiesced and acted upon by the Railroad Company for a number of years. Judge Drummond's decision was rendered in September, 1879. In April, 1883, more than two-thirds of the share-holders voted to mortgage the entire property of the road to secure the issue of bonds to pay off its indebtedness. The report concludes by saying that the committee is not advised as to whether the railroad will drop the matter, make another proposition or take steps for the trial of the questions raised, but suggests that in any event, the formation of an association of the bondholders will serve to further their interests in a contest with an organized corporation.

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WHOLESALE DECAPITATION.

The Entire Night Police Force of Vincennes, Ind., Discharged.

By Telegraph to The Post-Dispatch.

Vincennes, Ind., December 29.—The City Council last night bounced the entire night police force, Eugene Crandall, Jacob Metzger, Gotlieb Vieke and Tom Shay, whom Mayor Wilhelm and the Committee on Police found off duty one night last week between 12 and 1 o'clock. One was caught in a house of ill fame, another at home asleep, the third snoozing at the Union Depot and the fourth was drunk.

A SOCIAL SENSATION.

Last October Mrs. Cordelia Small, a handsome and wealthy young widow of this city, against the earnest protest of relatives and friends, wedded Jordan Reel, a widower, formerly of this county, for several years a resident and now Mayor of Orlando, Fla. News has just been received here of their separation a few days ago on account of incompatibility of temperament and the lady's failure to come down with the ducats. The unhappy affair is the general talk in this city to-day.

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Philadelphia's Overhead Wires.

Philadelphia, Pa., December 29.—Both branches of the City Council yesterday adopted resolutions directing the Chief of the Electrical Department to suspend action until further orders under the ordinance instructing him to take down on January 1 all overhead telegraph and telephone wires. The Electrical Committee of the Common Council was instructed to confer with the representatives of the various companies and ascertain what they propose to do about the matter.

A baby about seven days old was found yesterday in a lumber yard on Thirteenth and Mullanphy streets. It was wrapped up warmly and a bottle of milk was fixed in such a manner that the infant could feed itself. It was sent to St. Ann's Asylum.

We accidently overheard the following dialogue on the street yesterday.

Jones: Smith, why don't you stop that disgusting hawking and spitting?

Smith: How can I? You know I am a martyr to catarrh.

J.: Do as I did. I had the disease in its worst form but I am well now.

S.: What did you do for it?

J.: I used Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. It cured me and it will cure you.

S.: I've heard of it, and by Jove I'll try it.

J.: Do so. You'll find it at all the drug stores in town.

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AN OLD WOMAN'S DARLING.

The Letter a St. Louis Man Sent to the New York Police.

Superintendent Murray of the New York Police Departmrnt received a letter yesterday addressed "Police Headquarters." It was in German and read as follows:

"I am tired of life, and all considered, don't want to live any longer. I am known at 84 Allen street, to Mr. Wittmer, and at No. 187 Allen street to Mr. Fink. No. 1434 North Fourteenth street, St. Louis, is my address. My wife, if still alive, will forgive me for this. I will be found dead in the East River, and will fall a prey to the dissecting knife.

"I begin to believe myself now that I am not in full possession of my senses. I beg St. Louis papers to copy this. You can also notify Police Capt. Huebler. He knows me, and I have told him of my troubles. He knows that I have been foully treated (in St. Louis, of course). [Signed] Peter Dollwet, No. 1434 N. Fourteenth street, St. Louis, Mo."

"When I am found, send notice to St. Louis. My name and address are as above. Out of grief over my wife, I have withdrawn from the world."

Peter Dollwet may or may not have committed suicide in New York. If the above letter is in consonance with all his actions, he is alive. He married six years ago in this city a lady 67 years of age. He was only 37. The old lady had money and he proceeded to spend it for her. He led her a dog's life for several years, compelling her to pay for his good clothes, his livery hire and his sprees about town with "fast women." Two years ago a woman from Chicago called at Dollwet's house and informed the old lady that Dollwet had married her years ago, and that she had had several children by him. Dollwet did not deny this when charged with it, and thereafter the old lady tried to drop him. She made her will in favor of a young man named Upmeier and cast Dollwet off. Dollwet fought and swore and made scenes; he threatened to kill all concerned; but finally run away with $2,000 of the old lady's money. Mrs. Dollwet died Sunday and will be buried this morning. This news was evidently telegraphed Dollwet by some friend and hence the emotional letter received by the New York police.

SAVED BY DAYLIGHT.

Dastardly Attempt of Robbers to Blow Up a Railroad Bridge.

El Paso, Texas, December 29.—It became known here yesterday that a bold attempt was made on the night of the 23d inst. to blow up the bridge of the Southern Pacific Railroad across the Rio Grande River several miles above the city. Dynamite was placed on the track and the bridge bolts loosened. A dozen or more men, speaking English, seized the bridge tender at about midnight, bound and blindfolded him and then marched him to his cabin. It was the intention of the men to blow up passenger train No. 20 from the bridge and then plunder the passengers on the rocks below. The train, however, was several hours late, and as daylight approached the robbers fled.

THE COLOR LINE.

Recent Statements by the Fisk Jubilee Singers Declared False.

Cincinnati, Ohio, December 29.—A special from Fremont, Ohio, referring to the statement recently made by a member of the Fisk University Jubilee Singers (colored) that they had been subjected to gross indignities at Fremont, the home of ex-President Hayes, says this statement is utterly false; that when the Fisk Jubilee Singers gave a concert there, two or three years ago, the troupe was entertained in private houses, several being taken care of by the family of ex-President Hayes. This was not done because hotels refused accommodations, but simply to save expenses to the missionary organization that employed the troupe for that occasion.

THE CIVIL COURTS.

After Thirty-Five Years Mrs. Dahlein Seeks a Divorce—New Suits Filed To-Day.

An amended petition for divorce was presented this morning in the Circuit Court by Mrs. Francisca Dahlein against Nicolaus Dahlein. They were married July 4, 1851, and lived together until July of the present year. Mrs. Dahlein alleges that her husband for several years past has treated her with great cruelty and in the end she was forced to leave him. She states that he whipped her frequently, and on one occasion he broke a chair over her head. At other times he kicked and otherwise maltreated her in a shameful manner. For a considerable time he showered upon her foul and disgusting epithets and falsely accused her of improper conduct, even going so far as to assert that she had been guilty of a revolting intimacy with her own son. Mrs. Dahlein further alleges that her husband spent his money in drink and failed to provide for her.

Ordered Her to Leave.

Mrs. Margaret Brennan has filed a petition in the Circuit Court seeking a decree of divorce from Bernard Brennan. The marriage took place in Ireland, December 4, 1878, and the separation September 1 of the present year. Mrs. Brennan mentions five different occasions when her husband whipped her unmercifully without any cause or provocation. She alleges that for three years her husband has been dissipated, and squandering his earnings for liquor. Frequently, in the presence of others, her husband abused her shamefully, and it was his regular practice on Saturday and Sunday of each week to abuse her in every way, and accuse her falsely of improper conduct. He utterly failed to provide for the family consisting of two children, and made matters so uncomfortable at home that Mrs. Brennan's condition became intolerable. Her husband finally ordered her to leave the house and she determined to do so and seek legal relief. Alimony is asked for together with custody of the children and restoration of maiden name, Margaret Ward.

Cases on Trial.

The trial of the special jury case before Judge Horner in which Shelton Hitchman figures as plaintiff and the Wiggins Ferry Company as defendant progressed to-day with testimony for the defense. Hitchman was struck by a crab on a transfer barge of the Ferry Company at the Chouteau avenue landing.

Judge Barclay is engaged to-day with the hearing of testimony in the Davies case, to which reference has already been made in the Post-Dispatch. It is a proceeding by a former husband to set aside deeds to property given, it is alleged, under the influence of liquor.

Legal Notes.

A $20,000 damage suit has been entered in the Circuit Court by John D. Williams against Thomas and Joseph Maxwell on the ground of malicious prosecution. He was arrested on the charge of obtaining two mules under false pretenses, and he alleges that the Maxwells assaulted him. In the Court of Criminal Correction he was acquitted.

The Eau Claire Lumber Company filed a suit to-day in the Circuit Court against Philip Scholz to recover $690.25 on a note and $67.95 on an account.

ECHOES OF EGG-NOGG.

Christmas Culprits Disposed of by Judge Cady This Morning.

A civil engineer named John G. Joyce was tried in the First District Police Court this morning on two charges of disturbing the peace, one of them by Dr. Sam Fraser, the other by a colored man named Sol Johnson. The trouble occurred on Olive street, near Sixth, and was the direct result of egg-nogg which inflamed Joyce's mind so that he wanted to fight everybody he met on the sidewalk. The colored man proved an easy victim, Joyce knocking him down and beating him badly. Dr. Fraser attempted to interfere but withdrew discreetly after observing that the man meant business. The defendant was fined $25 for one disturbance and $10 for the other.

SAM'S SLUNG-SHOT.

Memphis Sam, alias Sam Williams, a notorious colored thief, was tried on a charge of assaulting Pat McGinnis Christmas night, in the alley between Sixth and Seventh, Spruce and Poplar. The defendant had been celebrating on Tom and Jerry, until it became necessary for him to assault somebody, so he drew his slung-shot, rushed into the alley, met McGinniss and struck him a terrific blow with the weapon on the jaw, fracturing it. He had nothing to say in his defense, and was fined $100 and costs.

OTHER FINES.

James Walsh and Chris Greber were charged with vagrancy, and acknowledging the truth of the accusation, were let off with the mild punishment of $20 and costs. James Conroy was charged with canning, urged the holiday season as an excuse, and was fined $20 and costs.

LOCAL NEWS.

A large number of art lovers assembled yesterday afternoon in the parlors of Mrs. Gen. Sherman's residence, 912 Garrison avenue, to hear a lecture by Miss Eliza Allen Starr of Chicago, on "The Works of Raphael"

A mad named Arthur Allen was arrested last night by Detectives Lewis and Archambeault upon receipt of information from Montgomery City, Mo., that he was wanted there on a charge of fraud. When arrested he had a revolver and a large knife in his possession.

Jake Anderson, in backing his cart to a quarry on Twenty-third street, near St. Louis avenue, yesterday afternoon, to dump a load of ashes, backed it so far that his cart and horse were precipitated over the embankment. The horse was killed, but fortunately Anderson escaped unhurt.

Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, G. A. R., met last night at Wenzel's Hall, on Eighth and Franklin avenue. After the regular business had been concluded, Gen. Thomas Fletcher stepped forward and on behalf of Mr. James B. Eads, presented the post with an elegant portrait in oil of the Post's patron, Gen. Nathaniel Lyon.

Peter Duckett, an insane man, who lives on Michigan avenue near Kansas, and who was so violent that he smashed everything that he could lay his hands on, and threatened to kill his wife and children if they did not keep out of his way, was arrested and brought to the Four Courts last evening by Sergeant Earl and Officers Breen and Conley.

John Myers, who keeps a saloon at 816 South Eighth street, had a wiener wurst can on his counter last evening, and while he was making a sandwich for one of his customers the can exploded, and pieces of tin and sausages went flying in all directions. Everybody in the saloon thought it was a dynamite explosion, the report was so loud, and all those in the saloon at the time made a hasty exit. Mr. Myers places the damage at $20. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

Mrs. Emma Pickens, residing on Camelia street, who is subject to fits of insanity, while suffering from that affliction last night, attempted to drown herself and two children in a well. The screaming of the little ones attracted the attention of their father, who was in the house, and he rushed out just in time to prevent his wife jumping in with their little girl in her arms. The other child, a boy 4 years old, however, slipped from his mother's grasp and fell in, but the father descended into the well by means of a step-ladder and rescued him.

The Teachers' Committee of the School Board met last evening. The committee appointed to investigate the charges against Prof. Morgan was not ready to report. The resignation of Miss Flora Rannells of the Carondelet school was accepted. The following promotions were made: Antoinette Milyko, head assistant at the Shepard; Caroline Thomas, first assistant at Shepard; Rosamond Theel, second German-English assistant at the Shepard; May Verborg, second assistant at the Shepard; Annie Lightburne, first primary assistant at the Shepard; Margaret Sullivan, second assistant at Bryan Hill School.

Neglected Coughs are the beginnings of consumption, be prudent and cure your cough with Dr. J. H. McLean's Tar Wine Lung Balm. 25 cents a bottle.

New Warrants.

Warrants were issued to-day for the arrest of the following parties:

John Hurley, charged with burglary and larceny, entering Jacob Rose's saloon and stealing coin and cigars.

Moses Williams, charged with petit larceny, stealing a pair of shoes from John Lawless.

Wm. Werton, charged with petit larceny, stealing keys and kindling from C. H. Marsh.

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Funeral from residence, No, 2221 Wright street, Wednesday, December 30, at 2 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

RANSOM—Died, December 27, 1885, after a short but painless illness, aged 27 years and 4 months, Nellie Elizabeth, beloved wife of James Walter Pixley Ransom, who was married at Kansas City, December 22, 1881, and daughter of Joseph and Francis E. Snow.

Friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral at the residence, No. 1704 N. Broadway, Tuesday at 2 p. m.

Springfield, Mo., Cincinnati, New Orleans, Pittsburg, Kansas City, and Denver and Leadville, Colo., papers please copy.

ROSS—Johanna Francis Ross, aged 30 years, Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock.

Funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, Joseph Garneau, 2514 Howard street, at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

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WANTED—A man experienced in straightening shafting iron; state references. Address C 86, this office. w58

WANTED—Two first-class carpenters; 800 North Main street. t58

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Situation, by young man acquainted with city; can do rough carpenter work and tend horses and cows and garden. K 85, this office.

WANTED—In city, colored man, without family, to manage steam boiler. Address N 85, this office. s62

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WANTED—Middle-aged man to feed and take care all kinds of stock, work around house and barn on farm 60 miles from St. Louis; must be a worker, understand the business and give good ref. Address, stating salary expected, C. P. Cooper, Richview, Ill.

WANTED—A single man, German preferred, to take charge of a small farm near the city; must understand milking cows. Apply with references to 121 Soulard st. w62

WANTED—Gentlemen of business address and ability; physician preferred. Ap. 820 Olive st.

Boys.

WANTED—A boy, from 16 to 18 years, in a butcher shop. 1164 Hickory. m61

WANTED—With city reference, a good stout boy for saloon work. Loehr's, 110 N. 3d st. t61

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WANTED—Situation as coachman or driver by a man who understands his business thoroughly; best city refs.; address I 34, this office. w39

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WANTED—Board and room; south of Market preferred. Ad. E 85, this office. t20

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WANTED—Housekeeper bet. 30 and 35, to keep house for widower with 3 children. 1929½ Sullivan av. w65

General Housework.

WANTED—Situation by a girl to do general housework. Call at 1822 Clark av. t48

WANTED—Cook and house girl wants situation to work by the month. Ap. 1516 S. 2d st. 48

WANTED—A young girl would like a situation to to assist in housework. Apply at 2122 O'Fallon st. t48

WANTED—A widow with child 2 years old wishes a place to do general housework; city or country. Address M 85, this office. t48

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WANTED—By an experienced stenographer—A situation; needs work and willing to work for small compensation. Address H 84, this office. m45

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WANTED—A nice young girl wishes a place as nurse in a small family. Inquire at 2013 N. Broadway, up-stairs. t50

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WANTED—Situation as cook in private family or general housework. Address or call on MRS. WOOD, 1409 Pine st. t49

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WANTED—Situation by first-class shirt finisher. Call at 712 Market st. for two days, 3d floor. t51

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WANTED—Washing to take home, or go out by the day. 2333 Franklin av., in rear. m51

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—A situation by a German woman to clean offices or to take charge of furnished rooms. Add. A 84, this office. t52

WANTED—Envelopes to address or copying to do, either in office or at home. Ad. S. 84, this office. m71

INVALIDS to call at Hot Springs Branch Medical Office, 820 Olive st. No cure, no pay. 52

HELP WANTED—FEMALE

General Housework.

WANTED—Good girl for general housework; must be good washer. 1819 N. Eighth st., barber shop. t66

WANTED—Good German girl in small family; call at 4241 Evans avenue. t66

WANTED—A German girl for family of two. No washing. 3736 Finney av. t66

WANTED—Girl for general housework; references required; 3310 Pine street. t66

WANTED—Good girl to do general housework. 2607 Rauchenbauch av., west side of St. Louis Park. t66

WANTED—Good girl to cook and general housework in a small family; German preferred. Apply at 2834 Franklin av. t66

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WANTED—Girls wanting situations call at 1921 Geyer av. s66

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WANTED—Girl for housework and to assist in cooking; good wages. 3431 Market st. w66

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WANTED—A situation by a settled German girl; is a thoroughly competent cook; can give references from first-class families. Call 1921 Geyer av. t49

WANTED—A good experienced cook; no washing or ironing; also a house and dining-room girl. 2813 Lucas ave. t68

WANTED—Good girl too cook, wash and iron in small family; reference required. Call at once, 3510 Pine st. m68

WANTED—A girl to cook and assist in housework; German preferred; reference required. Apply 3830 Delmar ave. m68

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WANTED—At Lafayette Park Hotel, laundry woman. w67

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WANTED—An active, well-educated young lady wanted; should not be younger than 20; disposed to learn our business and ambitious to advance in it; salary moderate, with semi-annual increase. Call after 10 a. m. S. HESS, 600 Olive st., up stairs.

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WANTED—Two good, steady girls not afraid to work, one as cook and one as house girl, to go to Fort Worth. Good wages. Apply to Room 26, Laclede Hotel. t71

WANTED—Ladies to work for us at their own homes; $7 to $10 per week can be quietly made; no photo painting; no canvassing. For full particulars please address, at once, Crescent Art Co., Boston, Mass., Box 5170. 71

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WANTED—Two good tailoresses to sew by hand; none but first-class need apply, at 314 North Third street, 4th floor. t69 A. J. ERICSON.

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PERSONAL—Ella: letter of the 24th came too late. Wednesday evening at same time and place. Harry K. t1

PERSONAL—Maggie: Let me know where I can meet you to-morrow afternoon. Bats. t1

PERSONAL—Dear George: Get Macklin's written calling cards at Lindell Hotel; they are elegant. Nellie. w1

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PERSONAL—Mattie: Your greeting made me very happy. I did not think there was so much in it, or I should have written you 29th a. m. BEN. t1

PERSONAL—C. B.: Please call as soon as possible; business of importance. B. W. t1

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207 S. FOURTEENTH ST.—Unfurnished room, first floor, near Union Depot. t13

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611 N. THIRD TWENTY-THIRD ST.—Two rooms, front and back, 2d floor, fur. or unfur., for light housekeeping. m13

802 PINE St., opp. Hotel Moser—Furnished rooms by day, week or month. s13

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912 N. TWENTIETH ST.—Two nicely furnished rooms in a small private family. t13

944 CHOUTEAU AV.—Handsomely furnished rooms, with board, for ladies, gentlemen and family. m13

1018 N. ELEVENTH ST.—One nicely fur. front room on first floor. t13

1106 CHOUTEAU AV.—Elegantly furnished rooms, suitable for one or two; low rent; unfurnished parlors, single or double. Wanted—room-mate at $5; fire, gas and bath, hot and cold. s13

1216 ARMSTRONG AV.—Three desirable rooms on first floor; stone front. w13

1214 OLIVE ST.—Desirable furnished rooms. w13

1236 CLARK AV.—Nicely fur. parlor, suitable for man and wife or two gents; terms low.

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1511 WASHINGTON AV.—Unfurnished rooms for housekeeping.

1513 WASHINGTON AV.—Nicely furnished front parlor for one or two gents; also smaller rooms. a13

1522 OLIVE ST.—Nicely furnished rooms for rent; front rooms. w13

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1627 WASHINGTON AV.—Very pleasant, nicely furnished rooms; gas and all conveniences.

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WANTED—Good German girl for general housework in small family. 1113 S. 9th st. t13

WANTED—Room-mate; ref. given and received. Ad. J 84, this office. t13

WANTED—Nicely fur. front room; so. exp.; on Olive st. Ad. T 85, this office. w13

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408 S. 14TH ST.—Good board and lodging $4 per week. f18

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Wanted.

WANTED—Two pair of horses for New Years. Ap. immediately at room 9, s.e. cor 3d and Pine. t11

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FOR SALE—Two second-hand phaetons, 1 new park wagon at cost, 1 new top undertaker's wagon, platform springs, cheap; 2 top buggies, 1 light ¾ seat, second-hand open buggy at A. L. Edson, 820 N. 8th st. 12

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FOR SALE—A spring wagon and open buggy at any reasonable offer. 1842 Park av., florist. t12

FOR SALE—Horse, cheap. Call 705 S. 4th st. t12

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BOOKS WANTED—Bring your old books and magazines to the Book Exchange, 813 N. 9th st. New books sold at auction prices; Schoolbooks bought and sold.

WANTED—PARTNERS.

WANTED—Easy money-making business for lady or gentleman partner with little money. W 85, this office. s28

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UNEQUALED—New Year calling cards, written or printed while you wait. International, 709 N. 4th st. 74

NEWEST in calling cards; combinations manufactured specially and exclusively for parties. International, 709 N. 4th st. 74

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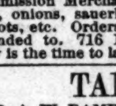
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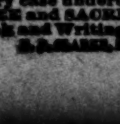
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SHAVING HER SON.

How Mrs. Fisher Discovered Her Long-Lost Boy.

From the Philadelphia News.

To a little two-story and a half house built of wood, on Girard avenue, near Marlborough street, there is a romantic history attached. In 1849 there came to this country from Baden, Germany, one William Bishoph and his wife. They brought with them a boy 6 years of age, Mrs. Bishoph's son by her first husband, named Willie Fisher. Mr. Bishoph was a barber in an humble way and employed no assistants. As his trade grew he taught his wife the business, and she became skillful with the razor. Little Willie Fisher was an unusually intelligent child and exceedingly popular in the neighborhood. He was nicknamed "Young Hecker" because of his precocity. One day he was missing. He was so universal a favorite that at first nothing was thought of his absence, and it was supposed that he was passing the time with some of his many friends. But the boy had not returned by night. All inquiry proved fruitless. He was nowhere to be found. He was not demonstratively affectionate toward his stepfather, but there was no doubt of his great love for his mother, and it was difficult to believe that he had

VOLUNTARILY DESERTED HER.

Poor as the Bishophs were they expended time and money through many years in the vain search for the child. Then came the great civil war. The shop became the frequent resort of soldiers of the Union. One afternoon two soldiers entered the shop, one of them desiring to be shaved and the other going along merely to keep him company. Although the chair of the old gentleman was vacant, the soldier insisted upon waiting to be shaved by the woman. This was thought nothing of and laughed at as something of a joke, for the woman barber was by this time advanced in years. She shaved the soldier and he and his friend left. They came back the next morning and the same man whom the woman had shaved the day before had his hair cut by her husband. When the young man had gone away Mr. Bishoph said to his wife:

"Do you remember, mine frau, that peculiar bump upon the left side at the back of his head of our little Willie?"

"I do," she replied, "but why talk of that?"

"Because, mine frau, that soldier whose hair I cut to-day and whom you shaved yesterday has exactly

THE SAME BUMP

in exactly the same place."

Mrs. Bishoph became intensely excited, but waited anxiously for the coming again of the soldier boy. She was satisfied he was her son. Come again he did, and he sat down in the chair and she shaved him. As she put the last touch upon his hair she looked into his eyes and said:

"Are you not Willie Fisher?"

"Yes, I am your son," said the soldier.

It is unnecessary to go over in detail his many years of wandering until the firing on Sumter found him in New Jersey. Then he entered a regiment from that State and served gallantly during the war. At the end of one of the terms of his enlistment he came to Philadelphia and went into the neighborhood of his old home in Kensington. He saw the house, just as it used to be, with the familiar names upon the sign, and he entered with the intention of throwing himself into his mother's arms, but, finding that he was not recognized, he could not resist the temptation of trying to see how long it would be before his identity would be discovered. Mr. William Fisher is to-day a somewhat well-known resident of Kensington, is married and has a large family. The old shop is still in existence, and is carried on under the same firm name of man and wife.

She Danced.

From the Merchant Traveller.

Al Sproule, one of Chicago's prettiest and sweetest traveling men, was up in Michigan not very long ago and was caught over night in a very little town. There was a dance on for that evening, and Al concluded he would accept an invitation and swing the country lasses for awhile. He went to the dance and danced with every girl there except one scrawny one, who had sat all evening in the corner waiting for a partner. Al took pity on her at last and putting on his most angelic smile he "shassayed" up to her.

"Ah, mum," he said, "do you dance, Miss?"

"Yes, sir," she replied quickly.

"Yes? May I have the pleasure of dancing with you in the next set?"

"You bet you kin, young feller, for I've sot and sot, till I've about tuck root."

Al did the graceful in great shape and the girl stuck to him the balance of the evening.

Wanted a Chance.

From the Wall Street News.

Three or four men, among them a New Yorker, who were lately tramping over the coal fields of Alabama, entered a rude log cabin in the woods to avoid a shower. They were stamping and scraping and wondering if anybody was at home, when a man made his appearance from a back room, and said:

"Say; give a feller a chance, won't you? I have been cleaned out in stocks, oil and wheat, and as a last resort I scraped a few hundred dollars together and put it into dynamite to wait for a rise. It's packed in those boxes, and I wish you would go a little careful. If the thing explodes on me I might as well give up."

A Well-Known Judge.

From the Texas Siftings.

One of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Texas happened to be traveling in England. In London he made the acquaintance of one of the most intelligent lawyers of that city. After the man from Texas had answered several questions the Englishman asked:

"Where do you reside?"

"In Texas."

"And what is your occupation?"

"I am one of the Supreme Court Judges."

"Oh, yes; I've read a great deal about you. Your name is Lynch, [illegible]"

PASTEUR'S PLAN.

IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS BY THE FRENCH SCIENTIST TO AMERICAN PHYSICIANS.

The Views Set Forth Through the Medium of Dr. Billings—Pure Carbolic Acid for Cauterizing Purposes—A State Laboratory Required—The Suggestions Approved.

PARIS, December 29.—Charles Kaufman of New Jersey, who was bitten on November 21, and sailed on the steamer Labrador December 15 to be treated by Dr. Pasteur, has arrived safely in Paris and is now in my charge. He will be treated by the doctor without delay. The four Newark children are progressing well under the various operations to which they have been subjected. As already telegraphed, it is the doctor's intention to inoculate them ten times, as he believes this will fully meet all the requirements of the case. They have already been through nine inoculations with the greatest success, and only one remains. Their health continues good and not an unfavorable symptom has appeared. Dr. Pasteur is pleased with the result so far obtained. Up to the present time he has inoculated thirty patients, and 240 more are waiting their chance to be treated. The doctor is anxious to have the public know some of his views on the question of bites by mad dogs. It is a common theory that a dog never bites unless it is mad. While this is sometimes true, it is more often a mistake, and in fact, the doctor thinks it so often a mistake that he would like to have the rabies of the dog fully established by competent authority before any conclusion is reached. He dos not want patients sent to him from a distance at great expense on the mere supposition that they have received bites from mad animals, but desires to have that question definitely settled before patients are sent. In order to carry out this idea he warns all persons against killing the dogs that have inflicted the bites. It is a well-known fact that dogs, just like human beings, are often

AFFLICTED WITH EPILEPTIC FITS

when they froth at the mouth and show the actual signs of rabies, while there is no actual madness about them. It is the natural instinct to kill all dogs that show such symptoms, and especially in case they have inflicted bites. Dr. Pasteur says it is folly to suppose that bites of this kind would result in hydrophobia, and hence he recommends that a regular system be pursued. Whenever a person is dog-bitten, do not kill the dog, but catch him and place him in a cage. If he is really mad the rabies is certain to make its appearance in ten days. It is a needless expense to send people to him for treatment unless the madness of the dog is certain. He does not care to have persons come to him from a great distance until the point has been settled beyond all doubt. The doctor desires to have some other precautions added. For instance, when a patient arrives he would like to have him bring along from his home, a duly signed letter from the health officer, giving in minute detail all the circumstances of the case under official signature, so that he may know exactly the conditions under which the patient is received. He further desires to say, for the benefit of the medical fraternity of the United States, that pure carbolic acid is much better for cauterizing purposes in cases of dog bites than the hot iron. This is understood to be only a temporary measure in treating the wound. I think it most desirable for the cause of science that the system of Dr. Pasteur should be introduced into the United States and this could be done with the information freely given me by Dr. Pasteur. In order to carry out this plan it would be necessary to have a State laboratory for the purpose properly endowed, in which dogs bitten by dogs supposably mad could be kept in confinement till the rabies had developed. It would take probably six months to get an institution of this kind in readiness for operations. In order to transmit the virus by the Pasteur method, it would be necessary to have at least 5,000 rabits to begin with. I cannot do more than outline this plan at present, but will give it fully in the report which I am preparing for the WORLD. I may return with the children on January 2.

FRANK S. BILLINGS.

Pasteur's Suggestions Approved.

NEW YORK, December 29.—"I am most favorably impressed," said Dr. Joseph Pansley of 107 West Fortieth street, to the POST-DISPATCH correspondent last evening, "with the proposition spoken of by Dr. Billings in the cable dispatch you have shown me. From a medical point of view, it would prove of the highest importance to have a regular State institution, properly endowed and equipped, for the treatment of these hydrophobia cases. Any medical man can read through the lines of that dispatch and understand exactly the position of Dr. Pasteur. He is scientist enough to know and admit that the nerves have a great deal to do with cases of this kind. Now, let me illustrate. I have a valuable dog, and he is sometimes indisposed. He shows some of the symptoms of hydrophobia. If caught on the streets he would be followed by an excited crowd and killed without mercy or suspicion; and, yet, he has no more rabies than that chair you are setting on. It is, however, a peculiarity of the nervous system of human nature that it feels immensely relieved to hear that the instrument of calamity is out of the way. Hence the first thing to quiet the nerves of a patient, therefore, under such circumstances, I would kill any dog of mine that was guilty of a bite. I might be perfectly convinced that the dog was perfectly free from rabies, but the humblest human life is of far more consequence. Now, the system of Pasteur appeals to the reasoning faculties of sensible human beings. He claims to have an infallible cure for hydrophobia by means of inoculation. We will admit that he has. Taking that for granted then, no sensible creature would care to go to

THE EXPENSE OF SUCH TREATMENT

unless he was convinced that he needed it. The only reasonable and scientific way to settle this question is to capture the dog that has given the bite and keep him confined long enough to enable the rabies, if there is any, to develop itself. If it does not develop in the dog, then treatment for hydrophobia is not needed. If it does, then try the cure of Pasteur. I certainly hope that New York will transfer the Pasteur treatment to this country without delay. There is everything to be said in its favor and nothing against it. I think many of these hydrophobia cases are the result of pure imagination—very much on a par with numerous cases which every practicing physician meets with, and which illustrates the great fact that fear is a ruling factor in disease, and faith an equally powerful element in cure. The Pasteur treatment proposed would tend to conquer the influence of nerves and reduce hydrophobia treatment to a science."

Obituary.

JUNCTION CITY, KAN., December 29.—Charles Reynolds, an old and well-known citizen of Kansas, died at his home in this city at 6:30 yesterday evening, of paralysis. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon at 2:30, and he will be buried with Masonic honors, he being a member in good standing of that fraternity.

NORTH ST. LOUIS.

Property owners have filed a protest against the proposed opening of Ferry street from Fourteenth west.

The Grand Army of the Republic will publicly install officers, January 8, at North St. Louis Turner Hall, Twentieth and Salisbury streets.

The name of R. P. Cohen is being industriously urged for Justice of the Sixth District in place of the late D. H. Buenemann, jr. It is the impression in the political world that Cohen's opponent will be announced to-morrow.

The Henry House, Broadway and Mallinckrodt street, which has been idle many months has been leased and will be opened to-morrow under new management.

Broadway, north of North Market street is a complete mire of mud from three to six inches in depth. Aside from the cross walks, it has been six weeks since this thoroughfare was cleaned.

The various manufacturing establishments which closed down just prior to the holiday season will all resume within the next fifteen days.

The new addition of the Merchants' Elevator, at the foot of Florida street, is now ready to receive grain.

The extensive building of the Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, Second and Mallinckrodt streets, is being supplied throughout with steam heaters.

FOR useful presents go to J. B. Sickles Saddlery Co., 1108 Washington av.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS.

Annual Meeting of the Western Association at the Lindell.

The Western Commercial Travelers' Association held their annual meeting to-day in the ladies' ordinary at the Lindell Hotel. The meeting was intensely interesting to the 100 delegates who had assembled to elect officers and take important action on the constitution of the society. The drummers were called to order by President I. R. Trask, the reports of the president, treasurer and secretary for the past year were read and then the meeting proceeded to business. Mr. Lee A. Hall introduced a set of resolutions amending the constitution of the association, the proposed amendments changing the method of the election of the officers and the board of directors. The amendments provided that the number of the directory be increased from six to thirteen, and that the board elect the president, secretary and treasurer. The sense of the change was that the office of secretary be made permanent so long as that officer faithfully performed his duties.

Mr. Bodenheimer arose and threw off some rather heated remarks. He said that the association and its interests had steadily suffered for some time past. It had not grown any, and its growth had been retarded by the dereliction of certain officers in their duties. He particularized further and pinned the fault of the stagnation upon the present secretary, Mr. John J. Gilmore. The opinions stirred up all the gall in the assembled drummers' natures, and Mr. Bodenheimer was attacked from in front and behind at the same time. Finally, when order was restored, Mr. Wm. Fink was given the floor. He said: "Mr. President: When any man gets up in this meeting and abuses a man that is sick in bed, I protest. It is right—"

The President—Mr. Fink will come to order.

Mr. Fink—Well, that's all right; but I don't propose to stand here and listen to this kind of thing any longer.

DR. LESLIE,

Chief Medical Examiner, said that the non-growth of the association had been attributed to the dereliction of duty on the part of the secretary. He wished to correct this, and say that if a board of directors had been elected who would have done their duty, no one would have had cause to complain. The board, in his opinion, had not done their duty. They had indulged in personal feeling; divided into cliques, got up corners and neglected the real business of the association. If this had not been the case the association would have grown a hundred times the extent it had. He deprecated any change in the constitution as a remedy for the evil, as it was not the fault of the constitution so much as it was of the men having in charge the association's interests. In addition to this the additional expense of printing would count up a considerable sum.

The meeting then called for a vote on the amendment to alter the constitution as above stated. The vote was taken and the resolutions embodying the amendment were lost.

The amendments recommended by the Committee on amendments were then taken up. The first, to strike out a clause providing for the admission of honorary members, was read by the Secretary and produced a heated debate, in which Messrs. Schuler, Fink and a number of others indulged. This amendment was laid on the table. A number of other proposed changes in the constitution were disposed of, and at 11 o'clock the ballots for the election of officers for the ensuing year opened, remaining open until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. On this question the association is divided by a rather distinct line. The drummers are an outspoken lot of gentlemen, and do not hesitate to lay blame, fancied or real, wherever they think that it is deserved, and accordingly they say that the election has been all settled, and that an entirely new set of officers, with one or two exceptions, will go in.

THE NEW TICKET

is as follows: For President, James Bannerman; for Vice Presidents, A. F. Shapleigh, jr., R. J. Medley, A. F. Benecke, John B. Denvir, R. E. Ryan, Chauncey Ladd, jr.; Secretary and Treasurer, John J. Gilmore; Chief Medical Examiner, Dr. J. H. Leslie; for Directors (two years), M. C. Wetmore, Edgar Skinner, Joseph Boyce, S. C. Bunn, Frank Holtzclaw, William Fink.

The other regular ticket contains for the most part the officers of the last year. The meeting was quite an enthusiastic one, and the association has determined to turn over a new leaf for the new year, increase the membership, replenish the treasury and make it an attractive organization. The membership at the present date is 1,263—36 new members having been added during the year past.

SHOCKING CHILD MURDER.

Mrs. Annie Gaskins, a Philadelphia Widow, Butchers Her Infant.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 29.—A shocking case of child murder was brought to light yesterday. The police were on Sunday morning informed of the mysterious death of an infant at 142 West York street. Mrs. Annie Gaskins, the mother of the child, occupies an apartment, the rest of the house being rented by a family named Alcorn. The Alcorns are the possessors of a huge black tom cat. Every night a number of mice can be heard gnawing in the bedroom of Mrs. Gaskins. The cat spends most of its time in the room and frequently spring across the bed to where the mice can be heard. Mrs. Gaskins said Sunday that about 4 a. m. she saw the cat jump across the room, and getting up, opened the door, upon which the animal made its escape. Mrs. Gaskins again retired to rest and slept till 7 o'clock. On awakening and looking at her baby, she found that it was dead. The little nightgown it had on was stained with blood, and on the child's throat was an ugly wound which had obviously caused its death. The little thing had evidently been dead some time. About 9 o'clock the mother called her sister into the room and stated that the cat must have torn the baby's throat with its claws. Before the sister was called, however, the mother had undressed, and washed the dead infant, and put the blood-stained garments into a bucket of water. Mrs. Gaskins stated that the reason why she did not alarm the house or call her sister when she first discovered that her baby was dead was, because being a stranger in the house, she did not like to create confusion. Police Lieutenant Ferguson, who has been investigating the case, does not think that the cat chewed the hole in the child's throat. He is of the opinion that the mother committed the deed with a knife. A knife has been found in the room covered with blood, and there are

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and floor of the closet in the yard. The mother is supposed to have carried the baby to the out-house, and, after killing it, returned to her room, and placed the body upon the bed. While the dress the child wore is covered with blood, the pillow slips and bedclothes were entirely free from stains. The story of the cat being in the room is believed from the fact that the animal had blood on its fur, which, it is thought, was placed there by the mother in order to direct suspicion to it. Mrs. Gaskins was brought to the coroner's office yesterday morning. She is quite small in stature and possesses very commonplace features. She was dressed in a gray cotton dress, green plaid shawl, spotted calico apron and a maroon colored knit cap. She appeared by no means alarmed over her situation. She is apparently about 30 years old. An inquest was not held in the case, as the Coroner despatched Dr. Formad to hold a post mortem, and the mother was committed to prison pending investigation. The coolness of Mrs. Gaskins first led the police to believe that she knew more of the cause of the child's death than she chose to tell. She buried her husband only five weeks ago, and has two children. The police theory is that, as the little one prevented her from going out to work to support the other two children, she determined to put the baby out of the way. A careful search of the hallway and steps shows a trail of blood from the outhouse up the stairs to Mrs. Gaskins' room. To the Coroner, yesterday morning, Mrs. Gaskins admitted that it was 4 a. m. when she discovered that her child was dead. She did not notify her sister until after 9 o'clock, and during that time she had washed and dressed the dead baby. The blood-stained clothing she had removed from it and placed in a bucket and partially washed out. The blood on the knife and on the cat's fur is to be analyzed.

Recent Robberies.

Several tools were stolen last night from J. Wickersham's carpenter's shop at 406 Clark avenue.

Hannah Sullivan, a servant at Mrs. J. J. Adderton's residence 3523 Washington avenue, was robbed of $220 yesterday afternoon. The thief gained admission to her room during her absence, opened her trunk and removed the coin.

John Kroshaus was robbed of a quantity of bricklayers' tools which he kept in a shed of the Hyde Park brewery.

A couple of boys were engaged yesterday afternoon in cleaning the lead pipe out of No. 1013 Paul street when a lady called to examine the premises and they decamped.

STAR RACKETS.

HOW MANAGERS ARE HUMPING THEMSELVES DURING THE HARD TIMES.

A Paragon of Feminine Perfections—Davenport Bebus' Great Act at the Olympic—Aimee's Tricks—An Interesting Game of Hide and Seek—Amusement Notes.

The advance agent of a feminine dramatic star, who has not made an unequivocal success, dropped into the POST-DISPATCH office, not long ago, and removing the lighted Havana which was sending curls of incense around his nostrils, inquired for the dramatic man. That individual, who was engaged writing a special which had to be in by half an hour in the latest, having been singled out, the advance agent threw back the lappel of his new chinchilla and carefully depositing his shiny beaver on the desk, drew up a chair and made himself at home. He chatted away for some half an hour or so on various topics of general interest, gave reminiscences of the stage, anecdotes about actors, a lengthy personal history of himself, and then came to business. He pulled out a package of newspapers, which he said the dramatic man might glance over, and then laid down a bunch of printed slips, which he said the dramatic man would oblige him by using during the week, and departed with an off-hand remark about not caring for the whole paper, or something of that sort, and not wishing to take up more time than was necessary.

The bunch of printed slips was a curiosity and displayed a wealth of genius not usually possessed by an advance agent. Although they were cut as if taken from some newspaper or papers, they gave evidence of never having been inside a newspaper office. They were admirably arranged to cover every possible point in the star which the public, to paraphrase Nate Salisbury, out of the hoggishness of its heart, might demand. The printed slips demonstrate beyond peradventure or doubt that the star in question was a paragon of feminine perfection. The general subjects of which they treated may be divided as follows: Society, art, music, wealth, diamonds, beauty, costumes, romance. There were twenty-six in all, five on the subject of costumes and three on each of the other topics. Taken all in all the bunch was a master-stroke, and the person who, after reading them, would not actually mortgage his home place to see the possessors of the graces, accomplishments and property described therein, would be dead to all human sentiment.

The star whose name was not Irene De Vere, but was that of a fairly clever actress who will pass by that name was given the attributes of the pet of fortune and creation.

The society bunch described that Miss De Vere was the daughter of aristocratic parents, and was on the stage, not of necessity, but from pure love of art; it described a reception given her at New York by certain swell society people and another given her at Boston by the cream of the Hub, with certain other incidents and facts which proved her the pet of "sassiety."

The art bunch stated that Miss DeVere painted with rare skill and taste, was a member of an art society and that her pictures were marvels of beauty and perfection.

The musical bunch narrated the number of instruments Miss De Vere played upon, how she charmed all who heard her and threw a certain old master into ecstacies so intense that he predicted a great future for her if she would but devote herself to it; how she had thought of doing so, but had turned aside to gather the laurels which were waiting for her on the stage.

The wealth bunch described her lovely home, her real estate at various places and her fortunate business investments which she herself had directed. Then came her costumes, which were made by Worth, and were marvels; her beauty, which was starlike, with the opinions of connoisseurs on each particular charm; her diamonds, which were invaluable, with a story of how they were stolen and recovered, and of the precautions she had to take to keep them at all, and finally the narration of a beautiful romance in her life when she threw aside the hand of wealth and power for the plaudits of delighted multitudes. There was a paragraph also telling of a young man, who had seen her for a moment and had devotedly followed her ever since, from place to place, wild with love and admiration.

All of this goes to show that feminine stars do not live on art alone. It is especially true of stars who are beginning, or who have failed to make unqualified successes, or whose art is so recundite or carefully concealed that the public does not discover it at once and shower golden rewards upon it. To surround such a star with personal interest is to create a desire to see her and to bring people into the theater and shekels to the treasury. To gain for her a reception by genuine society people, or to have a romance connected with her life, or to have an unusual accident occur, such as a breakdown, a smash-up, a runaway, a fire or a burglary, is worth a small fortune. One or the other of these rackets is nearly always worked, but to combine all of them on one poor star is something new. It may be taken as a sign of of the times. Business is bad and managers have to hump themselves. As for the public—well, it must take what it can get.

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One of the best situations in "Out of the Frying Pan Into the Fire" is the scene where Capt. Bunthunder goes home and suspects that his wife is entertaining several friends of the opposite sex. In his chase after Mr. Davenport Bebus, in the guise of Mr. Featherly, he gets his shoes first and on a close race, just as Mr. Bebus gets under a table, he clutches his pants and holds to them while Mr. Bebus goes on. Naturally, the latter is deprived of a very important part of his clothing, and is in a delicate situation in the middle of the stage, with only a thin table-cover between himself and exposure. The problem, then, is how to get off the stage without exposing his under-garment. The cover hangs over the table on the side next the audience, and conceals him. There is little doubt that Mr. Bebus thinks he has solved the problem properly. He crawls out on the rear side of the table, and drawing the cover toward himself lets it fall in front of his lower limbs. Mr. Bebus forgets that as he draws the cover over the table he deprives himself of the only protection he has, and from the time that the end next the audience begins to lift until it drops to the floor on the other side, a pair of extremely tight-fitting, white knit undergarments are disclosed to clear and critical view, and they get a round of applause.

A large part of Aimee's acting is done with her face. She has a trick of squinting her eyes and puckering her mouth when she wants to be particularly arch and amusing, which has won many a laugh for her in comic opera and still wins them, although the squint and pucker are somewhat forced and do not become her so much as formerly. She still sings her chansonettes and dances a little, but her voice is on the ragged edge of dissolution, and she is just a little bit ungainly in her shape and movements.

The trick in "Mam'zelle" of placing several members in the auditorium during the Cafe Chantant scene, creates an immense amount of excitement and laughter. The entrance of a policeman, who ejects Bob, really nonplusses some members of the audience. In Sardou's "Divorce Bill," which Aimee presents to-night, and in which she has gained success, she drops the last relic of opera bouffe and devotes herself to pure comedy.

There is a very interesting game of hide and seek at the Casino. It is one in which expectation plays a much more important part and is really pleasanter than realization, simply because there is not much realization to speak of. It begins with and continues through the acrobatic act of Lina and Vani. Lina is a trim, supple little woman who runs an acrobatic race with her brother Vani. Unlike most female acrobats she doesn't strip for the work. She goes at it in long dress. With scarcely a word of warning she turns a forward somersault in a long-skirted silk dress. Then the excitement begins and every eye is intent and neck is craned in expectation of something occurring. She follows this opening up with a series of flip-flaps, turns and acrobatic feats sideways to the audience, toward it, away from it, and in every other position. The expectation reaches a state of intensity which is positively painful. She gives a jump and a confusing mass of pink, white and black dress, skirts and hose, flies through the air, but each one is almost indistinguishable, which every eye follows rapidly and carefully. It is the purgatory of Tantalus, and, when the last flap has been flipped, and the little woman smiles and bows, the necks recede, the eyes close, and the audience falls back with a sigh of relief and—disappointment.

Notes.

"The Black Flag" is drawing excellent audiences to the People's this week.

Ezra Kendall and "A Pair of Kids" are entertaining the patrons of the Standard.

The "Siege of Paris" is an attractive resort for old and young during the holidays.

The Palace Museum offers a fine collection of curiosities and a good stage show this week.

The Musical Union concert to-morrow night, with Miss Emma Thursby as vocalist, will be one of the musical treats of the season.

Matinee performances will be given at all of the theaters, except the Olympic and Casino, to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. John L. Stoddard will deliver a series of five lectures at Entertainment Hall, beginning on the evening of January 5.

The programme at the Casino, with Felson and Errol Sweeney and Ryland Melville, Sam Denere and the others, is the finest that has been in St. Louis this season.

The concert by the Yale Glee Club, which takes place at Entertainment Hall Thursday evening, will afford an opportunity to the people of St. Louis to hear college music rendered in excellent style. The occasional college concerts have become very popular, and this one will doubtless draw out a fine audience.

"HERNANI."

Lawrence Barrett's Successful Production of Victor Hugo's Tragedy in Philadelphia.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 29.—The most important event of the present dramatic season in this city took place this evening with Mr. Lawrence Barrett's presentation for the first time in this country, in English, of Victor Hugo's tragedy in five acts, entitled "Hernani." The Chestnut Street Opera House held a large and fashionable audience, including many people prominent in social, political and business circles. Among them were: Geo. H. Baker, Geo. W. Childs, Morton McMichael, Clayton McMichael, Mrs. Donaldson, the Glendennings, Col. A. McClure, Dr. Lambert and a hundred more of Philadelphia's wealthy citizens. Mr. Barrett interpreted the title role, which was created in England by the elder Wallack, and it is safe to say that he made a wonderfully strong impression, his acting being powerful, and in the stronger scenes the audience became enthusiastic, demanding the presence of the actor before the curtain two or three times at the close of each act. The part of Hernani is exceedingly well suited to Mr. Barrett's style of acting, and to judge from last night's reception it will become one of the most popular of his repertoire. The production was fair, several new scenes having been prepared, and entirely new costumes, which were rich and historically correct. Miss Minna Gale, the Donna Zanthe, is a pretty woman, possessed of intelligence and, allowing for the nervousness of a first performance, gave an attractive impersonation of the part. In several of the stronger scenes she was quite effective. Mr. Mosely took the part of the King, and the remainder of the cast were competent in "Hernani." Mr. Barret has a strong play and a strong part, in which he is seen to excellent advantage. The production reflects credit on his good taste and judgment.

BOOTH AS BRUTUS.

The Eminent Tragedian's Enthusiastic Reception at the Boston Museum.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

BOSTON, December 29.—Edwin Booth opened his five weeks' engagement at the Boston Museum last night. The play was Howard Payne's tragedy of "Brutus," and the star appeared in the title roll. The audience was one of the most brilliant of the season. On his entrance Booth was greeted with plaudits loud and long continued. Indeed, several moments elapsed before he could go on with the role. After each of the acts the star was enthusiastically recalled. Despite certain disadvantages of physique, as compared with McCullough and other famed impersonators of the role, Booth gave the character most effective portrayal. In the simulation of madness, the invictives against tyrants, the appeal to the Romans over Lucretia's corpse, and above all, in the tribunal scene, where Titus is condemned, Booth won many honors. The Boston Museum Company gave good support and the drama was staged with elaborate new scenery.

HELD AT BAY.

John B. Archer, an Indiana Murderer, Defies the Sheriff and Escapes.

VINCENNES, IND., December 29.—An attempt was made yesterday to arrest John B. Archer, at his house near here, for the murder of John B. Bunch, who disappeared from his farm in Lost River township in 1881. The sheriff secured a deputy yesterday afternoon and proceeding to Archer's abode found him splitting rails. They tried to handcuff him, but Archer protesting, asked them to allow him to go into his house and change his clothes, after which he would go with them peaceably. The officers assented and Archer disappeared into the house, to reappear in a moment armed with a shot-gun. George Holt and his sister, who lived with Archer, threw up the window of the house and all three leveling their revolvers at the officers ordered them off. Completely at the mercy of Holt, his sister and Archer, the officers were glad to get away with their lives but have organized a posse to follow and take Archer. The particulars of Archer's crime are horrible, the body of the victim having been chopped to pieces and boiled for three days in a kettle after which the bones was burnt.

THE RIDING SCHOOL.

Formal Opening by the St. Louis Cavalry Company Last Night.

The St. Louis Cavalry Company's Riding School at the Armory was formally opened last night. All who had received invitations were present and the occasion was altogether full of the liveliest interest and pleasure. The quarters of the company were thrown open to inspection and at 9 o'clock the cavalry company appeared in the arena and went through their drill amid the plaudits of the ladies. Then the ladies present were invited to ride, and several accepted the invitation, among the number being Misses Annie Thompson, Aldrich, Taussig, Terry, Niedringhaus and Follet. After enjoying themselves in the arena the guests adjourned to the Cavalry quarters where music and dancing were made the order. Among the ladies and gentlemen present were Mr. and Mrs. Plant, Mr. and Mrs. Deane Cooper, Misses Hoffman, Trauernicht, Livingston, Green, Thompson, Taussig, Carton, Picot, Newman, Niedringhaus, Wilson, Dorscheimer, Aldrich, Terry, Follet, and Messrs. Joe Kick, Charles Morse, Walter Hodge, Dolph Bolm, Tom McCartney, Ed McManus, Garrett and Goodrich. The school is now open to ladies and gentlemen, and anybody desiring information can find Mr. C. L. Leroy, riding master, there from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Why She Came to Austin.

From the Texas Siftings.

Yesterday evening passengers noticed a woman standing on the corner of Congress avenue. She wore an old sun bonnet and her dress indicated adversity. A gentleman, moved by the spirit of charity, approached her and asked:

"Are you alone?"

"Yes."

"In distress?"

"Yes."

"Have you applied to the authorities?"

"Yes."

"Won't they help you?"

"The chief of police says he will do all he can to assist me."

"Have you a family?"

"Yes."

"Where?"

"Arkansaw."

"How long have you been in Austin?"

"Got here this afternoon."

"What is the nature of your distress?"

"Why a confounded feller down in Arkansaw fooled my daughter, stole my mule and came to this town. I don't mind his foolin' Riah so much, but the thought he's got that mule goes through me like a darnin' needle."

The man let a nickel fall back into his pocket and strolled away.

Only Manslaughter.

Assistant Prosecutor Dierkes of the Court of Criminal Correction this morning issued a warrant for manslaughter in the third degree against Henry Peters, who killed Pat Conley in an Almond street beer saloon with a bung-starter a few days ago. The punishment for the crime ranges from six months in Jail to three years in the Penitentiary.

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EAST ST. LOUIS.

The Council off for Springfield—Other Items of News.

The City Council held an adjourned meeting this morning, the Mayor and six Aldermen being present. Spencer Kuse, a Belleville attorney, who was City Attorney of this city in 1879, put in a claim for $300 salary which had never been allowed him. The claim was referred to a committee with instructions to report at the next meeting. The Council then adjourned until Saturday, January 9. An informal discussion was then held in regard to the summons of the Federal Court for the Mayor and Aldermen to appear to-morrow and give reasons why they should not be fined for contempt for disturbing the poles of the Western Union Telegraph Company. It was decided to leave to-night for Springfield so that all the city officials might be at work to-morrow morning when it convened.

S. D. Higgins, a switchman in the Wabash yards, had the fingers of his right hand badly crushed this morning while coupling cars.

'Squire Richard P. Long says that in the event of his being elected City Judge at the spring election he will insist on the privilege authorized by the city charter, of having a Grand Jury, and bringing all criminal cases in this city.

The committee appointed by citizens to solicit subscriptions to swell the reward offered for the capture of ex-Mayor Bowman's murderer, have collected over $1,000, and at a meeting to be held in a few days the amount will be formally offered.

Mrs. Ella Ernshan has filed a petition for divorce from her husband, William Ernshan. She alleges desertion and drunkenness.

Immaculate Conception Branch No. 2 of the Catholic Knights of Illinois, met last night and installed the lately elected officers.

William Hamilton, Superintendent of the Whittaker Pork Packing Establishment, who was arrested yesterday on a warrant sworn out by John Moehlig, charging him with assault, stood his trial yesterday evening, and was acquitted by 'Squire Draggon.

There were no new cases of scarlet fever reported to-day, and it is thought that the scourge has abated.

Curiosities of English Law.

In the law of larceny there have been curious cases for the edification of students and the escape of lucky thieves, says the London Telegraph. A plain man would think that "taking and carrying away" are words easily interpreted; but what is "taking and carrying away?" The cases decided are various. For instance, goods are tied to a string, one end of which was fastened to the bottom of a counter. A man having taken and carried them as far as the string permitted, it was decided that he had not "taken and carried away" the goods. Another man, however, removed a parcel from one end of a wagon to the other, and it was found that he had "taken and carried away" the goods. A thief, also, who snatched a diamond from a lady's ear and dropped it in her hair, was found guilty of "technically taking and carrying away." There are other curiosities of the law as to things which cannot be stolen. Thus, it is not larceny to take earth to make an embankment, nor to take water unless it be stored in pipes. Then, it would be larceny to steal a wild animal kept for food or profit, but not if it were kept for curiosity or amusement, as in a private menagerie. It has been decided, for instance, that ferrets, even when tamed and salable, cannot be subjects of larceny. Mr. Justice Stephen, in his "Digest," says: "Living wild animals, in the enjoyment of their natural liberty, whether they have escaped from their confinement or not, are not capable of being stolen," and this would apply, we suppose, to pet monkeys and parrots who have got loose. It even applies oddly enough to "game." Although it may be an offense to pursue and kill them, it is not larceny to steal them when living; but it is if they are dead, for then they become the property of the owner of the soil on which they die. These seem very fine distinctions.

Pedantic Spelling.

From the Saturday Review.

We are being overrun by the folly of specialists in the spelling of proper names. When specialists write for specialists let them spell proper names as they please. Let them call the Koran the Qur' Ân, by all means. This license applies both to books and reviews and other articles, which, like most essays on Oriental literature and philosophy and religion, are written for specialists by specialists. But in literature, in belles-lettres, let us keep the speech our fathers bequeathed to us. Let Juggernaut remain Juggernaut in all ordinary literature, and let Jaganath roll his wheels over the bodies of philologists. Let Haroun-al-Rashid abide as our childhood knew him, and never may Kong-fu-tsi usurp the place of Confucius as familiar to Dr. Johnson. A sort of pedants began this new craze with their Oulumpos (O, Mr. Gladstone!)—and if they don't like Olympus they can Oulump it. But we cling in English literature to Olympus, and only speak of Oulumpia when in the very dullest company. As to "Aiskhulos," away with him: he never fought the Mede nor wrote the "Eumenides." These were the deeds of old Æschylus. Who could recognize the lady who "loved the people well" in "Godgifu?" She is good enough for professors of prehistoric English as she is spoken at Oxford. Of course there is a difficulty. Are we to call Homer's hero Ulysses? It is hard to do so, for Ulysses was such a very different man from Odysseus. Even to that would we descend sooner than call Godiva "Godgifu" (outside of an article in an Anglo-Saxon review), or Juggernaut Jaganath. And yet it is hard, and it is hard to be obliged, by the same kind of pedantry turned inside out, to call Zeus "Jupiter" and Hera "Juno." They are such very different persons, just as Neptune is one god and Posidon quite another. A certain liberty to "go as you please" must be permitted in these matters. To deny it would be to fall back again on the other side into the manner of "Ouida" and Leconte de Lisle.

CITY PERSONALS.

Mrs. Chas. E. Ware slaves for Florida and the Gulf islands with her children this evening. The poor health of her little daughter Debbie has decided her to try the Gulf climate for her. She accompanies her husband to Galveston and New Orleans en route.

A PRESENTATION was made last night at the meeting of the General Lyon Post, No. 2, G. A. R., at 9 o'clock, in Wenzel's Hall, corner Franklin avenue and Eighth street.

TOO MUCH CHRISTMAS.

A London Protest Against the Waits and Their Music.

From the London News.

An annual trouble—familiar of late years to the Londoner whose habitation is in the West End—has come round with the approach of Christmas. The Waits have commenced their midnight visitations. Æstheticism, has done so much to make life picturesque, that has the credit of having let loose the Waits on the unprotected householder. The perfume of a legend hangs round these midnight disturbers of sleep, who are tolerated, if not encouraged, because they are supposed to be a survival of old English customs. They rank with the celebration of May Day, Hallowe'en, Twelfth Night, and are credited with being a kind of amateur representation of the old watchmen whom young gentlemen of quality gained glory by assaulting in bygone centuries. In reality, they are a company of musicians who play waltzes at midnight before Christmas, and make this service a ground for asking for remuneration after it. There is really no reason why they should not play at midsummer, except that the exuberant charity which leads householders to dole out Christmas boxes without due consideration of the claims put in does not obtain in warm weather. At the beginning of the present century there were Waits who had a vested interest in the right of disturbing the sleep of the inhabitants of Westminster, and these Waits had a leader who bought his monopoly. He was, of course, a despot, but at least he protected his victims from the tyranny of others. In fact, when rival Waits made night hideous in Westminster, this functionary summoned the disturbers of the peace, and the magistrate allowed and supported his rights. Unhappily, that state of things is at an end; the Waits have become a noun of multitude, and the police regulations for the protection of the rate-payers are not very definite, and, in effect, almost useless. The catalogue of London noises has increased, is increasing, and ought to be diminished.

The Ugliest Man in the War.

From the Atlanta Constitution.

The writer of this had the distinction of being the ugliest man in the army. True, it was a somewhat uncertain distinction, but it was a distinction, and he wore it with as good a grace, perhaps, as any one else could have done. In fact, he was somewhat disposed to be proud of it, and submitted to the good-natured railing his ugliness excited with such a philosophical grin as would almost always turn the laugh in his favor. Only once did he let the taunt disturb the serenity of his temper, and then only for a moment.

It was on the night that Gen. Johnston changed positions by a flank movement from his lines at New Hope Church to Kennesaw. All who were there can remember what a disagreeable night it was, dark as Erebus, with a slow drizzling rain, not enough to wash a fellow, but only to make him soggy and grimy.

Old soldiers know how an army marching by divisions manage to rest the brigades at intervals and at the same time keep up a continuous march. Perhaps my younger readers may be curious to know. The first brigade in front, when it is desired to rest, simply opens ranks and rests on either side of the road, while the second and following brigades march through. The first one cleared, the second one is halted, and so on in succession, the first falling in line as soon as the rear of the last one passes.

Well, we were marching thus. The next morning, just at sunrise, around the right skirt of Lost Mountain, I was riding at the head of the regiment, tired, wet, sleepy and hungry, when, in passing Walthall's Mississippi brigade, I was aroused from my misery by hearing an unmistakable voice crying out:

"Tom, Tom; I say, Tom!"

"What the dickens do you want," asked his comrade, waking up.

"I want you to wake up and look at that man. If I was as ugly as that Colonel I'd resign and go home."

The laugh that followed for a moment unsettled my complacency. It did seem cruel, and I so forlorn anyhow; but as the laugh seemed to do the poor devils good, I could not begrudge it to them, and tried in a sickly manner to laugh too.

Sly Pitt Crawley's Prototype.

From the London World.

A Devonshire correspondent writes: "The late Lord Rolle is described in The World as a combination of Lord Monmouth, Sir Pitt Crawley and Squire Weston. It is a fact that the character of Sir Pitt was suggested to Mr. Thackery by Lord Rolle, whom he frequently had the chance of observing, as in early life he often resided in the neighborhood of Ottery (the Clavering of Pendennis), which is within a few miles of Bicton. Lord Rolle was, of course, a vastly superior man in all respects to the baronet of Queen's Crawley, but he resembles him in many small traits, and especially in his coarse and rustic mode of speech and in his dirty and beggarly appearance. Lord Rolle, in company with his steward (who was just such another as himself), could be seen pottering about the fields in ragged old clothes, looking like a filthy rat-catcher, and incessantly uttering the most tremendous imprecations ('blast me!' 'stab me!' were his favorite expressions), and coming presently to a village, he would drink a cup of cider in the ale house, and would then, with his boots and gaiters covered with mud, get into his carriage and four and drive back, accompanied by a couple of 'Jeameses,' to Bicton, and at dinner he would appear in full dress and discuss political and county affairs of every kind as with much shrewdness and apprehension, as if he had never been out of Whitehall. In all these odd ways and eccentricities he was the 'moral' of Sir Pitt, and he also 'starved' his estate shamefully, although he rolled in money. Lord Rolle managed everything as he pleased in Devonshire for more than fifty years. He kept the representation of the county in his pocket till 1830, when the late Lord Ebrington beat his candidate, who was the late Mr. Bastard of Ketley, and Lord Rolle was also the despotic ruler of quarter sessions."

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CENTRALIA, December 29.—John Keen shot and killed George Bradford; the result of an old quarrel. Keen disappeared immediately after the tragedy and has not been captured.

JACKSONVILLE, December 29.—Charles Oler and wife, residing at Neeleyville, have been arrested on the charge of strangling their infant. The husband states that he choked the child because his relatives told him that his wife was in a delicate condition when he married her.

CHATHAM, December 29.—Miss Eunice Christopher, a teacher at the Finley school at Auburn, was on trial the second time for whipping unmercifully Miss Mamie Lewis, the eighteen-year-old daughter of a neighbor. The teacher was assisted by one of the male pupils, who held Miss Lewis while the switch was applied. A small fine was imposed. Bitter feeling existed between the Lewis and Christopher families, Miss Christopher having previously whipped one of the Lewis boys.

QUINCY, December 29.—G. Folkrad, an old farmer committed suicide, by shooting himself in the head on account of family troubles.

CHICAGO, December 29.—Tuthill King, the octogenarian millionaire, will marry Mrs. Sarah C. Bell, a handsome widow, on the morning of the 5th of January. His relatives have reconciled themselves to the union.

Some scoundrels entered St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church at Lake, cut the oil paintings, tore up the priest's vestments and deluged the altar with sacramental wine.

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D. J. Van Tosa, Fort Scott, Kan.; Wm. Grear, Anna, Ill.; Jas. Ensign, New York; Jos. L. Guernsey, Jeffersonville, Ind.; Chas. Geck, Rogers, Ark.; J. W. Griswold, Litchfield, Ill., are at the Everett.

J. M. Anthony, Frederickton, Mo.; J. C. Baxter, Springfield, Ill.; L. Ellisan, Lamar, Mo.; G. J. Bradfield and son, C. N. Dodd, Lebanon, Mo.; D. C. Wear, Jefferson City, Mo.; J. H. Clarkson, San Antonio, Texas, and Capt. Ballowe, Paducah, Ky., are at Hotel Hunt.

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Georgia's Crops.

ATLANTA, GA., December 29.—The supplemental crop report of the Georgia Agricultural Department indicates for the cotton crop a total yield for the State of 952,000 bales of 450 pounds each. The corn production exceeded an average crop by 1 per cent. The total production for the State is about 30,000,000 bushels.

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A HORRIBLE HARPY.

SCANDALOUS DOINGS OF A GHOST IN NORTH ST. LOUIS.

Imitating the Harpies of Old—New Way of Emptying a Coal-Box—Story of Two Eye-Witnesses—A Table Tipping Tells of a Murder—The Haunted House.

The prominence given the spook that is troubling the house at Blair avenue and Hebert street by the mention in last evening's POST-DISPATCH does not seem to have quieted the neighborhood, for the family of Mr. and Mrs. Uhlenbrock are still wondering what the intangible visitor will do next. There were no fresh demonstrations yesterday, but this fact is attributed more to the presence of the many callers who had dropped in to swap ghost stories than to any softening of the spirit's animosity toward the place or its inmates. There was a large crowd at the house to-day, composed largely of women and girls. The house is a plain, low house of two stories, with a lead-colored front, standing at the head of Blair avenue. It has a parlor 10x15 feet, which contains a bed, then another smaller room to the rear, then a 5-foot long passage-way leading to the kitchen, and from this a door and steps opening into the back yard, which is separated from the adjoining lots by a high board fence. When the reporter for the POST-DISPATCH reached the house, the front room was well filled with excited talkers. In the room immediately in the rear of this a silent company was seen through the frequently opened door. There half a dozen individuals, principally women, some young and some old, had their fingers placed upon a round table, doing their utmost to evoke some manifestation from the other world to clear up the entanglement in which the premises were involved. The directors in this extemporized seance were a short gentleman with black hair and a huge brown felt hat with a rim that quite overshadowed the body beneath, and a swarthy skinned elderly woman whose black eyes flashed out from under a handkerchief that had been given a gypsy turban twist about the head. This particular ghostly visitor is evidently not an imp of darkness, for his performances are accomplished in the daytime while the male portions of the family are absent. Mrs. Uhlenbrock is the intelligent German woman who presides over the house and in response to inquiries she related the details as follows in the presence of quite a company of awe-struck neighbors, who interjected numerous exclamations, such as "Well, well, I never!" "Who would have believed it!" and "Mercy on us!"

THE LADY'S STORY.

"We have five sons, only two of them staying at home during the day," said the lady, "and up-stairs live an aged couple. My husband is a carpenter, and is away all day. The two little boys have always been playing outside when these things were going down. Well, we have been living here seven years and never were troubled in any way until a few weeks ago when I discovered that my front and back doorsteps were being defiled in the most

SHOCKING MANNER.

We laid it all to mischievous boys and laid traps to catch them, but never did; and then the inside of the house began to be defiled and we were soon at our wit's end. We put an extra bolt on the front door, fearing some one had a key for it, but still the trouble grew. Once I bolted the door and closed the blinds, but when I came back from the kitchen there was the defilement and when a woman, who came in with me, and said it was a dog, did I not silence her by showing her human footmarks? We didn't get so worried over that as when pieces of coal began to

FLY AROUND THE ROOMS.

They seemed to come from the ceiling and the floor. We could see them rise slowly up, and then go faster and faster.

ANOTHER WITNESS.

Here Mrs. Elizabeth Stedman, an elderly lady, broke in and rattled off in a lively way further details about the coal throwing. "You see I called on this lady Tuesday before Christmas. I have been calling on her right along for years and never imagined anything was wrong until that day she told me about the coal. That was about 1:30 in the afternoon, and we two were the only ones in the house, except the old lady upstairs. Suddenly a piece of coal

STRUCK AGAINST THE DOOR.

"I am a Roman Catholic, and don't believe in such things, but Mrs. Uhlenbrock went to the coal-box and put in some chunks of coal, which she said would soon be taken up and thrown about. In a few minutes, as sure as fate, the chunks began to fly about, and when we looked the chunks were all out of the box."

"Was the box in the kitchen here right near the door?"

"Yes."

"Was the door open leading out to the back yard?"

"Oh, no," broke in Mrs. Uhlenbrock, "it was closed tight."

Mrs. Stedman, however, contradicted that and said: "No, no, it was wide open." This correction the first lady admitted was true, and then Mrs. Stedman proceeded to say: "Well, last night I was in the room where those spiritualists now are, when a chunk of coal fell from the ceiling and struck me on the shoulder as if it came from above. All the doors leading every way were closed, the windows were closed and barred, and there was no entrance left for anything."

The reporter was pointed to all the windows in the rear end, which had suddenly broken all to pieces Thursday before Christmas while the blinds were closed, and no marks of anything striking the blinds could be seen. Potatoes had been spirited out of the basket, loaves of bread had been sent rolling around the floor, and a lamp had been carried off the bureau and thrown against the door, with great violence, without being broken.

A MAN MURDERED.

At this point the little man, who was S. W. Richards, and the woman with the gypsy head-dress came out solemnly, and the former with a flourish of his cane reported that the table had said that a man living at the house had been murdered, but not in the house, and that the spirit was after something in the house. Whether it was after an indorsement for a post-office or some traces of civil-service reform in St. Louis, the gentleman did not state, but instead went into a long explanation of why it must be a spirit of health and not a goblin damned. He would hold a further consultation with the spirits and report more fully.

Mrs. Uhlenbrock said she had got along pleasantly with her neighbors, until last summer she had a difference about the next door neighbor's children. To this she attached no importance, nor to the first impression she had that it was somebody trying to run down the property in order to buy it cheap, although she did say she would move out as soon as possible.

THE HOUSE'S HISTORY.

Mr. S. A. Brotherton, the real estate agent who handles the property, laughed heartily when told of the havoc being played with his property's reputation.

"Why, bless your soul, your house is all right. Man murdered? Bosh! Never heard of it in my life, and I have been leasing it for years. Mrs. Uhlenbrock is a level-headed woman, and no doubt believes honestly that there are spooks there, but it is all a mistake. I don't say anybody is trying to lessen the value of that property, mark you, but I do remember that a few years ago a house on Biddle street was treated the same way, and that a man was caught who confessed to being the agent of a man who wanted to buy it cheap. It must be something of this character; that's all."

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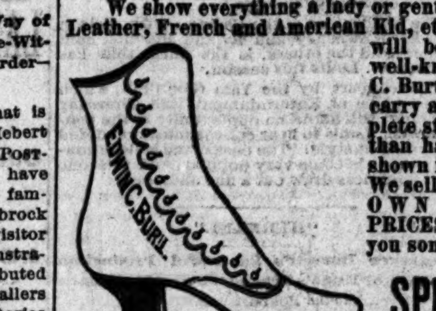
In accordance with the announcement first made in the POST-DISPATCH some days ago, the appointment of J. W. Kneisley of Columbia, Mo., as Assistant Custodian of the Custom House was announced by Collector Lancaster yesterday. Ferd. L. Garesche was also appointed deputy collector and cashier, vice Louis C. Haynes, resigned, and Barney Seaman was replaced as head janitor by M. J. Walsh, for some time conductor of the Eighth street elevator. Joseph Prendergast, telephone boy at the Four Courts, will succeed Mr. Walsh.

In the Post Office Department it is reported that Cashier Fitch of the Money-Order Department will give way to Charles M. Anderson, who will also be Assistant Superintendent of the Money-Order Division. None of these changes take place till the first of the year.

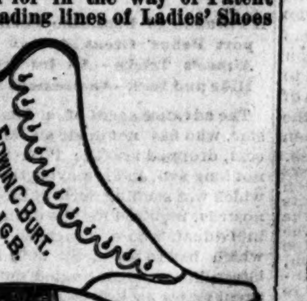
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A CHURCH CHESTNUT.

The Evangelical Alliance Fighting a Man of Straw—Some Secret History.

The attack of the Evangelical Alliance on the Church Congress at yesterday's meeting was apparently based on the idea that the next meeting of the Congress would be held in this city. The erroneousness of such a supposition was pointed out by a prominent churchman to-day, who gave the history of the relation of the Church Congress to St. Louis as the place of next meeting. "The Alliance," said he, "fooled away their time discussing something that had been settled weeks ago. Rev. Wilberforce Newton and the Congregational pastor of Pittsfield, Mass., came to St. Louis last spring, having heard of the course of lectures in St. George's, and hoping to interest the clergymen of St. Louis in the meeting of the Congress which was to be held at Hartford in May. A large number of pastors gathered at Union M. E. Church to meet the visiting clergymen, and all the denominations were represented. After a full statement of the plans and purposes of the Congress by Dr. Newton, the meeting unanimously approved the purposes set forth. At the close of the meeting an enthusiastic clergyman moved that the Congress be invited to hold its 1886 session in St. Louis, and not to disturb the spirit of the occasion, the motion was carried. But before leaving, one of the most prominent pastors of the city told Dr. Newton not to put any reliance on the invitation, but to consider it simply as an inthusiastic indorsement of his address. This Dr. Newton seems to have forgotten, for the invitation of that meeting was accepted by the last Congress. Several months ago, however, the Executive Committee sent a communication to some of the leading pastors of St. Louis, asking if it would be expedient to hold the next meeting of the Congress in St. Louis. The matter was fully discussed by the pastors addressed, who sent a courteous reply, stating that in their opinion it would be inexpedient to come to St. Louis in 1886 for two reasons: First, because many of the city pastors would be absent in May, the time of meeting, attending their annual church meetings; and second, because the constituency necessary to insure success was perhaps not large enough to warrant such a body coming so far West, making it wiser for them to meet in the East until the aims of the Congress should be better known in the West. This answer of the St. Louis ministers made an end to the meeting of the Congress in this city. Therefore," the gentleman concluded, "it is amusing to see good clergymen working themselves up into opposition to a meeting which is not to occur."

FATAL FREE FIGHT.

A Black Fiend's Crime—Terrible Youthful Depravity—Texas Topics.

DALLAS, December 29.—A number of railroad hands wound up a drunken spree with a fight. James O'Neill was struck with a pick-axe and was in a dying condition yesterday. William Saint, who had the quarrel with him, has been arrested.

Willis Adams, a well known drummer, is on trial to-day at Kaufman for the murder of Michael Burns.

Eugene Pfloger, a partner of Joseph Polzer, has mysteriously disappeared and it is believed that he committed suicide.

SAN ANTONIO, December 29.—John Brookes, a powerful negro, went to the Thomas residence at night and breaking through the side door, entered the apartment of Miss Julia Thomas, committing criminal assault upon her. He next turned to her sister Nellie, but her screams brought assistance. He was arrested.

MCKINNEY, December 29.—Thomas Henson, a lad of 14, enticed three little girls into a thicket and stripped the eldest girl, assaulting her in a horrible manner. She cannot recover.

PALESTINE, December 29.—Wm. Henderson, a colored school teacher, is on trial for the murder of Laura Creer, a married woman. The teacher had a difficulty with the husband of the woman, and in the struggle she was shot and killed.

PARIS, December 29.—Clay Davis, a deputy sheriff, was shot and killed while attempting to effect an arrest of some parties for creating a disturbance at a school-house Christmas festival.

AUSTIN, December 29.—Mrs. Eanes declares that she is innocent of the charge of murdering her little boy, and denies that he was illegitimate.

Mrs. Hancock, one of the victims of the Christmas Eve double outrage, died last night.

CLARKSVILLE, December 29.—St. Louis creditors attached the goods of J. M. Anderson.

HOUSTON, December 29.—The detectives have captured all the colored men who stabbed and shot the Vitrona family on Christmas Eve.

The Child's Teeth.

Teeth are troublesome things, both in coming and going. Thousands of children die in teething. Mr. J. H. Wicker of Montezuma, Ga., writes: "Last spring, Brown's Iron Bitters saved the life of my little 18-months-old girl, who was teething." Some people have an idea that this medicine is only for grown-up people, but it is just as valuable for little folks. It gives them health and strength, and brings the roses to many a puny child's cheeks.

A LONG WAKE.

Why Mr. James Kelly Will Not Bury His Wife's Remains.

Mr. James Kelly, aged 81 years, formerly of Bradford, England, is anxious to learn the whereabouts of his son, Charles Kelly, and son-in-law, Tully Bener, who, when he last heard of them, were traveling with a gypsy caravan. The reason why Mr. Kelly is so desirous of finding out where they are is that his wife died on the 15th of the present month, at the age of 82 years, and he does not wish to bury her until his son and son-in-law have taken a last look at the body. The remains are now at an undertaking establishment on O'Fallon street, and Mr. Kelly says he will wait until March 1 for his son and son-in-law to turn up before he gives them burial.

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BLOOMINGTON STARTLED.

A Severe Earthquake Shock Felt in the Illinois Town Last Night.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., December 29.—Last night an earthquake shock was felt quite distinctly in this city and at other places in the immediate vicinity. The shock disturbed people while in the streets and their homes. There also was a similar shock on Saturday night, both of which resembled the bursting of a boiler or the firing of artillery.

Roasted to Death.

MOBILE, ALA., December 29.—Carrie Boyer, a young lady living at Ganestown, Clark County, was found murdered on the roadside, near that city, on Friday a week ago. When found she was about to die, with a bullet in her back and her skull crushed in. The crime was traced to Alex. Reed, a negro in the neighborhood, who was captured and burned to death at a tree, his agonies being prolonged indescribably. Seven years ago a negro preacher was treated in the same manner at the same place for outraging a girl.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The Southern passenger agents are meeting at Atlanta, Ga.

A great deal of distress is reported from the west coast of Ireland.

The Balkan conference will reassemble at Constantinople January 15.

It is said that the Czar will reinstate Prince Alexander in the Russian army.

Mrs. J. W. Haslewait died from taking morphine yesterday at Beatrice, Neb.

Minnie Palmer opened the season in London last night with "My Sweetheart."

A man named Corday was found hanging in a barn near Elberfield, Ind., yesterday.

The War Department thinks the Mormons and Indians are fixing up an alliance.

Hannah Doyle of Lansing, Iowa, drowned herself in the river yesterday at that place.

An overflow of the Little Kanawha, W. Va., has caused destruction to property and life.

Edward Brown, of Clinch County, Ga., danced himself to death Christmas evening.

The Loyal Union of Ireland will organize after the manner of the Irish National League.

Frank Brummet was accidentally shot at Stephens, Ark., on Saturday last. He may die.

Three 10-year-old boys fooled with powder at Vicksburg, yesterday, and were all badly burned.

Joseph Biodrick, a wealthy citizen of Sublimity, Ore., blew his brains out yesterday with a rifle.

The thirtieth annual convention of the Iowa State Teachers' Association was held at Des Moines yesterday.

Michael Roposky, a miner, was stabbed and clubbed to death, Sunday, in a free fight at Cambridge, Ohio.

Benjamin Kaye Heaton, a Yale student, was found dead in his bed yesterday morning. Heaton died from overwork.

Wm. Iser of Hagerstown, Md., died yesterday from the affects of a splinter which lodged in his finger while playing ten-pins.

The evidence against the negro Johnson, now jailed at Media, Pa., for the murder of John Sharpless is growing stronger.

Peter B. Howell, supervisor of the Reformatory at Elmira, N. Y., was crushed to death yesterday while riding on the freight elevator.

The missing crew of the Point Judith Life Saving Station were found on Block Island, where they had drifted after taking to the life boat.

Otto Drerhardt was stabbed nine times and killed by James Shanks at the Dalles, Ore.; A quarrel caused the fight. Shanks was arrested.

The latest news from Madagascar, gives particulars of of a French defeat by the Hovas after seven hours fighting, near Tamatave, Spetember 10.

The Natural Gas Company of Pittsburg has been granted an injunction restraining the city from interfering with the laying of the company's pipes.

Additional evidence has developed implicating E. Ferner, ex-guard in the United States Jail at Fort Smith, Ark., in a conspiracy to release 127 prisoners.

The Governor of Arizona has issued a proclamation forbidding the citizens of that Territory from warring on the Indians. The act has caused intense indignation.

A prominent lady singer of the Russian opera house at St. Petersburg was discharged for alleged drunkenness on the stage. She will sue for heavy damages.

In endeavoring yesterday to collect a debt of $600, H. A. Miller shot fatally Al Painter, his former employer, and proprietor of the Hotel Windsor, at Toledo, Ohio.

Late Saturday night at Panama, Iowa, Joe Hines, a wealthy farmer, was killed by being struck with a chair by a rough named Mendenhall. The pair were playing cards.

Signor Harbaro, now in prison on a seven-years' sentence, was elected yesterday to the Spanish Chamber of Deputies. He is an editor, and was jailed for threatening the ministry.

Kate Welsh of Dubuque, Iowa, threw vitriol in the face of Frank Woods, an engineer, who she claimed seduced her. Wood's eyes are gone and one of Kate's also. The man will live.

The command of Capt. Davis has not been heard of for so long that it is feared they have met disaster in the Sierra Madre Mountains. Gen. Crook is sending out couriers to find them.

Gen. Ignacio Martinez, a figure in the recent Yttuia-Cervantes difficulty at Matamoras, has published a circular giving a history of the affair, and calling the Cervantes crowd poltroons.

A dude of Bradford, England, wrote a gashing note to Marie Rose, the singer, last night, asking for an interview. It was granted, but the fop found a muscular valet in the room and was kicked to the street.

Fuller reports of Saturday night's storm on the Massachusetts coasts show far greater damage to property than was first estimated. The schooner Breeze drifted to sea with one man aboard. She was loaded with herring.

Daniel Gaskell has succeeded in paralyzing the residents of Preston County, W. Va., by his mad career with the women whom he captivated, and the horses which he stole. Personating the son of a rich man, Gaskell gathered together a horse and buggy and left Preston County in the distance.

Ex-Mayor John N. Flippin of Memphis, Tenn., while acting as manager of a mining company in y Guadaloupe Caloo, Mexico, was set upon in the mountains by Mexican highwaymen and robbed of $5,400 in cash. Two American ladies named Jewett passing along the same road with servants had their horses stolen by bandits not far from Parral.

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Rescued at Sea.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The steamer Gellert, from Hamburg, which arrived last night, reports: "December 27, at 11 a. m., rescued seventeen men from the wrecked schooner Ivanhoe, of Gloucester."

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THE NAVE-VAUGHN TRAGEDY.

Foul Play Suspected—Burned to Death—Missouri Matters.

INDEPENDENCE, December 29.—Mrs. Frank Vaughn, whose husband was killed by her cousin, Abram Nave, testified before the Coroner that Nave had proposed marriage to her, and upon her refusal, he threatened to kill himself. The burial of Nave, who committed suicide after killing Vaughn, took place to-day. There is great excitement in the community.

ST. JOSEPH, December 29.—W. H. Henton, who came to town to negotiate a loan, has mysteriously disappeared. His wagon was found in a ditch in the suburbs, and it is supposed that he was murdered.

MOBERLY, December 29.—A fire at the residence of Emanual Dill, ten miles south of this place, has resulted in the death of Mr. Dill and two little girls and a young man of 20. They were terribly burned before assistance reached them. Mrs. Ida Richards attempted to commit suicide on account of family troubles.

CAMERON, December 29.—The Rev. John Fay of the Presbyterian Church has been requested to resign. The officers of the church assign no cause.

BELMONT, December 29.—W. B. Haskins, Sheriff of Mississippi County, Ark., has arrived here to take charge of John Summers who is charged with the murder of Joshua Kindall, in Arkansas, in 1873. He had escaped from jail at Osceola.

MARSHALL, December 29.—John Johnson was fatally slashed with razors during a difficulty at a colored festival, at Miami.

SEDALIA, December 29.—The store of F. A. Logan, at Green Ridge, was burglarized during the night, and the safe was blown up.

INDEPENDENCE, December 29.—John and Thos. Mahan have been arrested on the charge of causing the death of Edward Pendegrast. It was the result of a saloon quarrel.

LAMAR, December 29.—Homer Millard, a well-known citizen was kicked to death by a horse.

EDINA, December 29.—The Hardland Academy, seven miles from this place, burned yesterday. There were no pupils present.

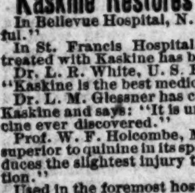
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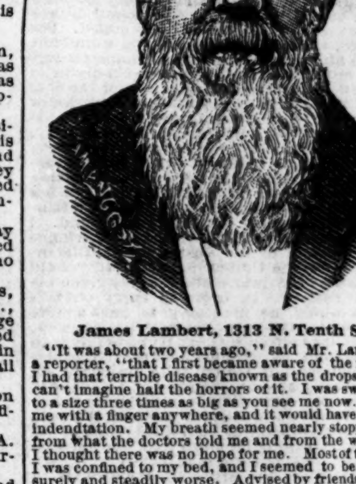
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ELECTION NOTICE.

ELECTION NOTICE—Office St. Louis Bolt and Iron Co., December 28, 1885.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this company for the election of directors for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company, on Tuesday, January 12, 1886. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.
T. A. MEYSENBURG, President.

THE THIRD NATIONAL BANK of St. Louis, December 10, 1885. The regular annual election for nine (9) directors of this bank will be held (on the second Tuesday) 12th of January, 1886, at the banking rooms. Polls open from 12 o'clock m. until 2 o'clock p. m.
T. A. STODDART, Cashier.

OFFICE OF SIMMONS HARDWARE CO., NINTH ST. AND WASHINGTON AV.
THE annual election of officers for this company will take place on Monday, January 4, 1886, at the office of the company, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 m. A meeting of the stockholders is also called for the purpose of transacting any business that may be brought before them.
E. C. SIMMONS, President.
R. H. STOCKTON, Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE.—A meeting of the stockholders of the St. Louis Club House Building Company will be held at the St. Louis Club House Monday, January 4, 1886, for election of five (5) directors to serve the ensuing year. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 12 o'clock. By order of the Board.
HUGH McKITTRICK, President.
JNO. H. LOUDERMAN, Secretary.

OFFICE HELMBACHER FORGE AND ROLLING MILLS COMPANY, ST. LOUIS, December 22, 1885.
ELECTION NOTICE.
THE annual meeting of the stockholders of this company will be held at the office of the company, northwest corner Barton and DeKalb streets, Monday, January 11, 1886, for the purpose of electing five directors to serve one year. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 12 m.
JAMES GREEN, President.
G. L. GOETZ, Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE—Office of the Henry B. Pettes Importing Company, St. Louis, December 28, 1885.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this company for the election of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may be presented, will be held at the office of the company, No. 521 Olive st., this city, on Tuesday, the 12th day of January, 1886, at 9 o'clock a. m.
HENRY B. PETTES, President.
J. D. WELCH, Secretary.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

THE THIRD NATIONAL BANK of St. Louis, December 28, 1885. At a meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, it was ordered that a dividend of four (4) per cent be declared payable to shareholders on and after January 2, 1886.
T. A. STODDART, Cashier.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING—Office Richardson Drug Company, St. Louis, Mo., January 4, 1886. The annual meeting of the stockholders of Richardson Drug Company, for the election of directors and any such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the company, Northwest corner Fourth and Clark ave., St. Louis, January 18, 1886.
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